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Fill glass with Sparkling Water.

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THE TIRELESS PRINCE.

ACTIVITIES THAT CROWD
HIS DAYS.

A TRUE DEMOCRAT.

[BY J. M. N. JEFFRIES.]

Almost every other day at present the public reads of some new activity or accomplishment of the Prince of Wales, of some welcome word said by him here, some helping hand lent there, some fresh identification of his with the life of the nation.

In the last fortnight or so he has been set at the head of the Merchant Navy, an act which by the superiority of its conception and by the universality of its effect is one of those which justify many as an example of the true meaning to be attached to that word.

But the same period has shown him delighting our police with friendly greetings at a boxing tournament, touching the heart of a waiter at a dinner at Windsor, throwing in the belt at a mass football game, visiting flood victims in their homes and giving them assurances about their coal supply—all deeds full of homeliness and simplicity.

These serve as an example of that other side of the Prince's life, of that intensely human part he plays. No one has done more than he by his continuous visitations among the people to make himself one with every family.

Thinking of this, one is led into wondering how many scenes the Prince has witnessed, how many things he has done in a year's course. Readers of his doings recall one incident and forget another, so that it is doubtful if the true cumulative effect of his work is obtained.

"Idle, Never."

To try to obtain this, I have consulted with some care the lists of his engagements and the records of his visits for the past year (1927) in Great Britain alone. From our point of view, his visits to Canada and to Spain make of it a shortened year, but even so, such a brief summary of it as is possible in this page is indicative enough. Well might the Prince throw the retort out "Idle Rich" once as his carriage passed through an East End street. "Rich, perhaps; but idle, never." In this country he carried out sixty-three public or semi-public engagements, and of these very many, scheduled as one, were really multiple.

When he visited Bournemouth, for example, he spent as full a day as anyone could, with a continuous round of separate engagements during his six hours' visit. There are few of us who would not feel our brotherly love strained by such an ordeal, but the Prince was making friends up to the last moment of his stay, and left the town with a happy old soldier's Afghan medal in his pocket, that veteran having no one of his kin but the Prince—the phrase will be understood, I think—to whom to bequeath it.

In Glasgow he spent eleven hours in continuous public duties; he fulfilled ten engagements there. In Lancashire, Cumberland, and the Lake district, he covered a great number of miles in four days, with stop after stop for local presentations. His Duchy of Cornwall tour in June was of a similar character.

At St. James's Palace. But it is not alone in his public engagements that the Prince's connection with and interest in all manner of activities is to be found. He must pass the most versatile days in all London.

One morning, to take a random example, he sees the Belgian Ambassador. The Ambassador is barely gone when Mr. Clayton, of Tox—a frequent visitor—received. He goes, and the Prince immediately switches over to a well-known dog-breeder, who brings some to St. James's Palace, and expatiates on that very British occupation till the morning is gone.

Another morning he sees the Italian Ambassador. An officer commanding a brigade-area follows, and then one of South America. After him he receives and confers with the Fellows of the Commonwealth Fund, and goes from them to the Guildhall luncheon in honour of the King of Egypt.

One day in June he takes part in an Imperial Education Conference, when it is over gives audience to the Maharajah of Rutlam and the Oekwar of Baroda, sees Sir Hugh Trenchard, of the Air Force, after their departure, opens a headquarters of Territorial in the afternoon, and in the evening attends a Court at Buckingham Palace.

A November afternoon he takes part in the Army squash-tennis championship, in the evening is present at a film on behalf of the "Nursery" charity, at the Marlborough Pavilion, next morning inspects the Welsh Guards at Wellington Barracks, sees successively the Mexican, Colombian, and Czechoslovak Ministers, and then the Duke of Abercorn, the Governor of Northern Ireland.

Ministers' Visits. Mr. Baldwin sees frequently, meeting him both at dinners and (Continued on next Column).

REIGN OF TERROR IN MEXICO.

AN ANTI-CHRISTIAN CAMPAIGN.

RUSSIAN AGENTS BUSY.

[BY THE HON. EVAN MORGAN.]

May I make my protest, purely in the interests of humanity and religion, against the complete silence of the Press of the world towards the ghastly atrocities daily being performed in Mexico?

Let me quote from a news item in the *New York Herald* headed "Mexico Fears Catholic War":

"After an apparent lull in their activities following an arrest last week of 300 priests, nuns, religious teachers, and pupils, the police swooped down on the bishop's residence, but he was tipped off in time to escape by a few minutes."

Mexican Constitution.

For some, perhaps, who are not fully cognisant of the affairs in Mexico, it might be useful at this point to write a few lines on the constitution in that country.

It is a Union of twenty-eight States, which comprise a Republic, the President of which is the chief executive, holding office for a period of four years. Though each State has a separate government, the national affairs are managed by the Federal Government. This Government never has been the Government of the people. To quote from Mr. William F. Montavon, "The Mexican Problem," Washington, 1926:

"Not only were the great majority of the voters not permitted to vote, but not trusting even his own followers, Carranza (the last President) but two) presented that no candidate could be elected who was unable to prove that he had given his material support to the Carranza revolution. It cannot therefore, in any sense be said that the Constitution thus enacted is a supreme law freely adopted and approved by the people of Mexico."

If witnesses need be called to support this, we have the report of the Administrative Committee of the National Catholic Welfare Conference, consisting of two Archbishops and five Bishops, signed in April, 1926, in which the following significant sentence appears:—

"The present condition of Mexico was imposed on Mexico by a band of insurgents at a time when Mexico was prostrate and when the rest of the world was at war."

A Fight Against Christianity.

In this imposed constitution formed by Carranza, Obregon, and Calles (the actual President), there is nothing but a series of articles deliberately striking at Christianity. Witness Article 130:—

Ministers of religious creeds shall have no vote, nor be eligible to office.

Article 53 states that the representatives in Congress shall not be ministers of any religious creed. The same applies to the qualifications necessary to become a Senator or President.

receptions and also making short-notice appointments with him by telephone. In a lesser degree the same occurs with Sir Austen Chamberlain, Mr. Churchill, Sir William Joynson-Hicks, Mr. Amery, and other Secretaries of State.

There is a regular influx of Dominion and Colonial visitors at St. James's, probably a full third of the total number of persons received by the Prince. Members of the Diplomatic Corps and soldiers, sailors, and Civil Servants leaving the country to take office or returning to it to report must always come to see him or are summoned.

Among the Workers.

Few have penetrated the working quarters of London as he has. He has been notably to Kennington, to Hackney, to Whitechapel, to Wapping, to Bow, to Lambeth, to Stratford, to Wandsworth, to Shadwell, to Canning Town, to Shoreditch.

He has sat in the back-parlours of coffee-shops and been received by a householder in his nightgown; in a fried-fish shop the amazed proprietress "suddenly" saw the Prince's head appearing through the steam; he has played billiards and table-cricket and ping-pong with men and boys and played catch with small girl patients in a hospital; has given blinded soldiers at Brighton a tip for the Grand National, and at Hastings has been made a "winkler" by fishermen; has danced and joined in choruses, been greeted with saluting guns, sirens, blasts of dynamite and presentations of six-foot sticks of Blackpool rock; been pelted with daffodils, and with roses.

Of all the speeches he has made and phrases uttered on these many occasions, one may perhaps conclude with these, "I love coming to see little children," and "I love old soldiers; they are such good sorts."

Article 27 states that religious institutions, irrespective of creed, shall in no case have legal capacity to acquire, hold, or administer real property, on loans made on such real property. It closes with the significant words, "No trial by jury shall ever be granted for the infraction of any of the preceding provisions."

What I do not think the Protestant clergymen of Great Britain fully realise is that Calles is fighting Christianity. He makes the Catholic Church at present the object of his tyranny, because it offers the most considerable spoils, and, from the point of view of Government control in Mexico, is the only body of sufficient size to matter; but when that is crushed the turn of other Churches will come next.

Early in 1926 the Press was thrilled because the newspapers had been almost unanimous in their condemnation of religious persecution. In June of that year new regulations were presented to Congress, with urgent demands for their ratification. One-third of these thirty-three regulations relate to the punishment of public officials who fail to enforce the laws of persecution. Does that seem as though the Government were working (to quote the Mexican Secretary of State) "along lines demanded by the people?"

Bolshevist Influence.

Perhaps this is not the place to touch upon the close relationship between Soviet Russia and the present Mexican régime. President Calles speaks about "the beloved people of Russia." Madame Kollontay, the new Russian Soviet Ambassador to Mexico, has publicly expressed her happiness over the good relations existing between Mexico and the Soviet Government, and has pledged herself enthusiastically to tighten the bonds between these two countries.

We know well both Spain and the United States are fearful of touching this subject, although the former is a staunch Catholic country and the latter has always preached freedom of conscience, action and dogma, and every other doctrine in which the word "freedom" or "liberty" can enter. The latter nation is a closer neighbour than we are and might get its fingers burnt.

But why this silence in the British Press, which extends sympathy and draws attention to the sorry plights of any number of Armenians, Jews, Turks, or infidels (not to mention the Bulgarian atrocities) who may happen to be slaughtered, or even annoyed, by the aggression of their neighbours from time to time, but will raise no finger in protestation concerning the treatment of Christians who merely attempt to carry out their religious duties in accordance with their lights and are persecuted for it?

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Edwin Thomas Hatt, aged 55, of Oxford, one of the best-known solicitors in Oxfordshire and Berkshire, was charged at the Old Bailey with the fraudulent conversion of £3,500 entrusted to him by clients.

Mr. Percival Clarke, prosecuting, said: "Apparently since 1915 Hatt had been living in considerable style and entertaining beyond his means and keeping up an establishment which his income as a solicitor would not justify."

Hatt was made bankrupt in December last with a deficiency of about £50,000. There were no fewer than 222 unsecured creditors, who had no prospect of getting any money back at all.

Mr. J. H. Matthews, K.C., defending, said Hatt belonged to a highly respected family. His father was a leading agriculturist, who died leaving over £100,000; and Hatt, instead of having to walk warily, felt an undue optimism and thought that the world was at his feet. He may have felt justified in living on a scale of extravagance which was afterwards not warranted by his income. His position was largely due to a lack of moral courage. He should have faced the situation, rigidly cut down his expenditure, and kept within his means. "He is not without friends," added Mr. Matthews, "and has expectations after serving his sentence of a career in another direction in which he says he can do more good and to restore the money of his clients."

Mr. Justice Humphreys, who said it was a very bad case, passed sentence of six years' penal servitude.

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APRIL 5th, 1928.

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Do.		224 1/2 buy.
P. & O. Bank		229 nom.
East Asia Bank		278 buy.
Canton Insurance		\$315 buy.
Union Insurance		\$31 buy. & sa.
North China Ins.		Tls. 143 nom.
Yangtze Insurance		M. \$468 buy.
China Underwriters		\$21 buy. & 50 sa.
China Fire Insurance		\$215 nom.
Song Kong Fire Ins.		750 buy.
Donghai		\$404 sel.
H.K. Steamboats		\$254 buy. 232 sel.
H.K. Tugs		\$24 sel.
Indo-China (Prof.)		\$37 buy.
Do.		(Def.) 374 nom.
Shell Transports		90 nom.
Waterboats		\$205 buy.
Baguette		\$24 buy.
Kwai Ming & Co.		86 buy.
Langkai (combined)		Tls. 16 nom.
Do. (single)		Tls. 7 nom.
S'hai Explorations		Tls. 21 nom.
Shanghai Loans		Tls. 4 nom.
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Do. (new)		Tls. 31 nom.
H.K. & S. Hotels		\$113 buy. 91 sa.
H.K. Land		\$66 buy. 68 sa.
Shanghai Land		Tls. 138 buy.
Humphreys Estates		\$15 nom.
Hong Kong Realities		\$81 buy. 8 sel.
H.K. Territorials		\$1 nom.
H.K. Tramways		\$25 sel.
Peak Tram (old)		\$13 buy.
Do. (new)		\$12 buy.
Star Ferries		\$84 sel.
China Lights (comb.)		\$84 sel.
Do. (old)		\$12.50 buy. 13 sa.
Do. (new) (Lp.)		\$12.70 buy.
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Cementa (combined)		\$11 sel.
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Do. (new)		\$2 sel.
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Do. (new)		\$3 sel.
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EXCHANGE.

CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

APRIL 5th, 1928.

On LONDON.—	
Telegraphic Transfer	2/6
Bank Bills, on demand	2/0 3/16
Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight	—
Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight	—
Credits, at 4 months' sight 2/1	—
Documentary Bills, 4 months' sight	2/1
On PARIS.—	
Bank Bills, on demand	124 1/2
Credits, 4 months' sight	124 1/2
On NEW YORK.—	
Bank Bills, on demand	49 1/2
Credits, at 60 days' sight	50 1/2
On BOMBAY.—	
Telegraphic Transfer	134 1/2
Bank Bills, on demand	—
On CALCUTTA.—	
Telegraphic Transfer	134 1/2
Bank Bills, on demand	—
On SHANGHAI.—	
Bank Bills, at sight	78 1/2
Private, 30 days' sight	—
On YOKOHAMA.—	
On MANILA.—	
On SINGAPORE.—	
On BATAVIA.—	
On HANKOW.—	
On SAIGON.—	
On HONGKONG.—	
Sovereigns, Bank's Buying rate	92 1/2
Gold Exchange, 100 fine, per tael	25 5/16
Silver, per oz.	25 5/16

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Brussels		24.06
Amsterdam		12.11 1/2
Berlin		20.41
Copenhagen		18.50
Vienna		34.1
Madrid		29.02 1/2
Athens		36.8
Rio		5.50/64
Bombay		1/5.51/32
New York		49.30/29
Geneva		25.30
Milan		18.18
Stockholm		16.28 1/2
Oslo		18.01
Helsingfors		18.01
Lisbon		23
Bucharest		77 1/2
Buenos Aires		47.13/19
Yokohama		1/11.9/19
Shanghai		2/4
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AT ST. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL.

The following services will be held at St. John's Cathedral during Easter:—

To-day (Good Friday).

10 a.m.—Children's Service, conducted by the Rev. H. V. Koop.
11 a.m.—Shortened Matins, Ante-Communion and Sermon. Preacher: The Rev. H. V. Koop.
12-3 p.m.—Three Hours' Service, conducted by the Dean.
6 p.m.—Evensong and preparation for Easter Communion.
9.15 p.m.—A Good Friday Devotion with Music.

Easter Eve.

10.15 a.m.—Matins and Ante-Communion.
3.20 p.m.—Choral Evensong.

Easter Day.

7 a.m.—Holy Communion.
8 a.m.—Choral Eucharist.
11 a.m.—Matins and Sermon. Preacher: The Rt. Rev. The Bishop of Victoria.
12.15 p.m.—Holy Communion.

3 p.m.—Children's Service, conducted by the Dean.

6 p.m.—Evensong and Sermon. Preacher: The Dean.

The Music on Easter Day will be:

7 a.m.—Hymns, 133, 123, 504.

8 a.m.—Hymns, Proc. 125, 297, 322, 323, 134.

Matins.—Easter Anthem, 200; Psalms, 9, 16; Te Deum, Walmisley-Soaper-Maine; Benedictus, Barby; Hymns, Proc. 134, 133, 136, 131.

Children's Service.—3 p.m., Hymns, 134, 136, 153.

Evensong.—Psalms, 113, 114; Magnificat, 293; Nunc Dimittis, 507; Hymns, 123, 136, 133, 137, Proc. 127.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH.

To-day (Good Friday).

10 a.m.—Matins and Ante-Communion. Short address by the Rev. N. V. Halward.
5.30 p.m.—Evensong and preparation for Easter Communion. Preacher: The Rev. N. V. Halward.

Easter Day.

5 a.m.—Holy Communion.
11 a.m.—Choral Eucharist. Preacher: The Rev. N. V. Halward.

ST. ANDREW'S, KOWLOON.

To-day (Good Friday).

11 a.m.—Morning Prayer and Sermon.
6 p.m.—Evening Prayer, Litany and Address.

Saturday.

3 p.m.—Preparation for Communion Service.

Sunday (Easter Day).

7.15 a.m.—Holy Communion.
8.15 a.m.—Holy Communion.

11 a.m.—Morning Prayer and Holy Communion. Preacher: The Vicar.

2.45 p.m.—Young People's Service.

6 p.m.—Evening Prayer. Preacher: Rev. C. B. Shann, M.A.

NEW POINT IN DIVORCE LAW.

WHEN CAN THE KING'S PROCTOR INTERVENE?

SIR D. HOGG'S PROBLEM FOR JUDGE.

The legal position of the King's Proctor was argued in the Divorce Court, before the President, Lord Merrivale, when the divorce petition of Mrs. May Sybil Williams Sloggett was before the court.

Mrs. Sloggett charged her husband, Mr. Arthur Albert Sloggett, with adultery with Miss Mary Bregazzi Turner. She admitted two acts of adultery in October 1925, and asked for the dissolution of the marriage to be extended in her favor. The case was adjourned to enable the King's Proctor to consider his position in regard to the case, and the matter now came up for legal argument.

The Attorney-General (Sir Douglas Hogg, K.C.) said the application was for directions on a legal point as to how far, before a decree nisi was pronounced, the King's Proctor could take part in proceedings, except where he was prepared to charge collusion.

If the King's Proctor could only intervene after the decree nisi was granted, the main evidence as to collusion would be that of the husband, and, frankly, said Sir Douglas, he did not think he would be justified in asking the court to act upon it, having regard to the circumstances.

Therefore, the King's Proctor would have to come to court and argue upon statements known to be false if he were not allowed to intervene before a decree nisi was granted.

Sir Douglas therefore asked that the King's Proctor should be allowed to intervene and cross-examine certain witnesses.

On behalf of Mrs. Sloggett, Mr. W. N. Stables said he would offer no objection to any course adopted by the court. At the same time he contended that the King's Proctor had only power to intervene before the decree nisi on the ground of collusion.

Lord Merrivale reserved judgment.

LOCAL SHARE MARKET.

NO MATERIAL EXPANSION OF BUSINESS.

SUPPORT FOR INVESTMENT SHARES.

Messrs. Benjamin & Potts, in their weekly review of the share market issued yesterday, state:

There has been very little change in the local market since our last report of the 30th March, and beyond a little more enquiry for a few favourite stocks, there has been no material expansion of business. Investment shares have found a good deal of support and still continue firm, but the more speculative counters have shown a distinctly easier tone.

Hong Kong and Shanghai Banks have steadily improved their position, and were placed at \$1,300-\$1,303. The London price is unaltered. Unions were again dealt in at \$391. Hong Kong Fire has been in good demand and the price has made further headway to \$780.

Indo-China (Deferred) have further declined to \$4, but could be placed in London round about \$3.10. The wide margin between the buyer's and seller's ideas makes business difficult. Kowloon Wharves changed hands at the outset at \$140, but they are now to be had at this figure. China Providents have fallen away to \$3.75. Hong Kong and Shanghai Hotels have likewise weakened and were sold at \$0.15.

Hong Kong Lands are enquired for at \$68. Hong Kong Trams have eased to \$23.40 at which rate small sales have taken place. China Lights have buyers at \$12.80 and \$12.70 (fully paid) for the old and new shares respectively. Hong Kong Electric were negotiated at \$70 and \$70. Hong Kong Telephone continue in request at \$4.70.

Green Island Cements have further weakened and are obtainable at \$11. Hong Kong Ropes were bought to a fair extent at \$7. China Sugars changed hands at \$6. Watsons were again booked at \$13.50. Dairy Farms have continued their rise and transactions were effected up to \$23. Hong Kong Amusements fetched \$93.

Ewos have buyers at \$12. 8.80 after sales at \$12.70. Shanghai Docks show a further improvement with sales reported at \$112.

RUSSIA'S "FLAPPERS."

PLEASANT AS HER OTHER BOLSHIES.

UNSEXED HARRIDANS.

Moscow, March 11th.

The way to insult a Russian flapper, current model, is to treat her like a girl, writes a *United Press* correspondent.

Show gallantry, give her a seat in the tram, imply in any other way that she is a weaker and more precious vessel and instantly she is up in arms. Such "bourgeois" sentimentalities, she declares, are for the pampered daughters of the capitalist countries, not for the sturdy, post-revolutionary females of the Soviet Union.

The Russian flapper wears a jaunty man's cap over her clipped hair, a heavy overcoat and felt boots. She smokes cigarettes and mixes with the boys as an equal. Furs and fripperies, even if she could afford them, are not in her line. These indulgences would merely hamper her large free stride as a "comsomal" young communist, as "trade union worker, as serious student.

This girl, it happens, was ten years old or so when the Bolshevik revolution took place. She grew to maturity quickly in a period of civil strife, intervention, famine and intensive reconstruction. She saw women, members of her immediate family perhaps, fighting the front trenches and lead cavalry charges. She watched them join the men as judges and administrators in the new ruthless government, or in the fields and factories in the effort to rebuild a shattered economy.

There was no room for softness or gallantry in this period. Only courage, brawn, hard facts counted. So now she strides along the streets in independence and self-assurance equalled by no other girl anywhere in the world.

While the Russian flapper is immensely interested in things of the mind, she does not either in looks or behaviour conform to the traditional conception of an intellectual girl. Spectacles and party complexion are not for her. She may discuss avidly the Leninist duty to electricity the country or the prospect of an Anglo-American war, but her cheeks are ruddy and on Sundays she is out skating or swimming with the boys. She is a member of an "aviation and chemical circle," where she goes in for sharp shooting and gymnastics and soccer.

Naturally, she is not the only type of flapper. But being the one most in the public eye, in mass parades and meetings and factory gatherings, she may be taken as the standard.

DRAMA OF LOVE AND JEALOUSY.

"I HAVE MURDERED VI!"

POIGNANT INQUEST STORY.

The discovery of the note, which stated "I have murdered Vi!" found in the pocket of a man who was killed at Earl's Court Railway Station was recalled at Kensington Coroners' Court at the inquest on the body of Edgar Stedman (21).

Post Office telephone engineer, of Mabelthorpe Road, Fulham, Scotland Yard solved the man's identity after exhaustive inquiry, and also traced "Vi," who was alive and well.

Mr. H. R. Oswald, the coroner, who sat with a jury, said the case had attracted a lot of attention in the newspapers because it was suggested that Stedman had tried to murder a young woman with whom he had been keeping company. Afterwards his body was found near Earl's Court railway station. "On the face of it, it looks like a case of attempted murder and suicide," he said.

Arthur Stedman, of Mabelthorpe Road, Fulham, the father, giving evidence of identification, said his son was a healthy man and a teetotaler.

The coroner: Have you ever heard him threaten to take his life?—No, he was the other way about. Do you know whether he had any love affairs?—He was very greatly attached to a young woman, but he did not get anything in return for it.

What was her name?—We used to call her "Vi."
The coroner: Did your son seem to be depressed lately?—All I can say is he never gave himself enough time to have his proper food. He was too much attached to this party. If he had had it returned he would have been all right.

Dive in Front of Train.
Police-sergeant Vickers said he found the man's body in the four-foot way, both the legs were cut clean off. He found in the man's pocket a book containing notes respecting a girl called "Vi," and a Mr. Lacey.

George Frederick Swain, a driver in the service of the District Railway, said:

"As the train was entering Earl's Court station I saw a fellow standing on the platform near the Warwick Road entrance. All of a sudden he put his hands before his head and dived in front of the train. It was a proper dive, as though he were going to dive into a swimming bath."

The young woman described as "Vi" was considerably distressed while waiting to give evidence. Replying to the coroner, she said her name was Viola Laing, and that she was an embroiderer and lived at Diabrow Road, Fulham.

The coroner: How long had you known Stedman?—Sixteen months. Were you engaged to each other?—Yes.

And I suppose you were constantly seeing each other?—Yes, every night except one.

Describing what happened on the evening in question, Miss Laing said that Stedman called at the house where she resided a room. "I had arranged to go with him to the dance at the Hammersmith Palais de Danse," she said. "He said, 'We won't go to a dance; we will go for a walk over Putney.' I did not say anything in reply."

What did he say after that?—He asked me to put on my engagement ring. I had put it away because I was afraid of losing it at work. I got it out of the drawer, and put it on.

The coroner: What happened afterwards?—He gripped my throat.

Gripped By The Throat.
"I sat down in a chair," Miss Laing said, "and he suddenly gripped me by the throat, and then he let go. He told me I had met May, his sister, in the morning, and she had asked me to go round that evening. I said that because I realised what a terrible rage he was in, and I wanted to get him home. Then he said, 'Say you are sorry for going to the dance on Valentine's Day.' I said, 'No,' and he gripped my throat again with both hands."

The coroner: What happened to you?—I could not speak.

Miss Laing said she lost her strength because of the terribly strong grip, and she felt she could not breathe.

The coroner: What did he look like?—Just one patch of white with two huge glaring eyes—eyes like saucers.

He was in a passion?—I realised he was when he gripped me first; but afterwards I was not able to think at all.

She said she became unconscious, and when she came to she found herself in bed. She had a pain in her throat, and it suddenly came to her what had happened. "He was very fond of me," she said. "He was more fond of me than anything in the world. He told me he would do himself in if I gave him up."

Miss Laing was questioned regarding a man named Lacey. She said she had only met him at dances and had mentioned his name to Stedman before Christmas.

The coroner: He was evidently jealous of you and this man Lacey?—Yes.

(Continued on next column.)

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Replying to Mr. Williams, representing the parents of the dead man, Miss Laing said her affection had been waning for about six weeks.

Mr. Williams: You wanted to get your freedom, didn't you?—Yes, because I realised I could not be tied down.

Was that because you had become fond of Lacey?—No. I gave him hints that I didn't want to be married, that I wanted to be free.

Entries in Diary.
Dr. E. F. Travers, police surgeon, of Phillimore Gardens, said death was due to shock following fracture of the skull and laceration of the brain.

The coroner read the following extracts from the diary found in Stedman's pocket:—

"Met Vi, had a little row with her. All made up."
"Met Vi in the evening; had a row."
"Vi played me dirty. Went out with other men. Made a joke of it."

"Saw Vi. Asked her to explain. Would not, and called me a fool."
"Waiting revenge."
"Killed Vi. Will meet Vi darling in other world. But she loves and kissed me while I was doing so, so did give her best kiss when dead. Keep our rings on our fingers. My last wish."

The coroner: He also mentions, "This gun is the cause of terrible trouble between Vi and myself. He knows I am engaged to Vi, but goes on. May he die shortly. All my love to Vi. I still love her. Was mad when I done it."

The jury returned a verdict of "Suicide while of unsound mind."

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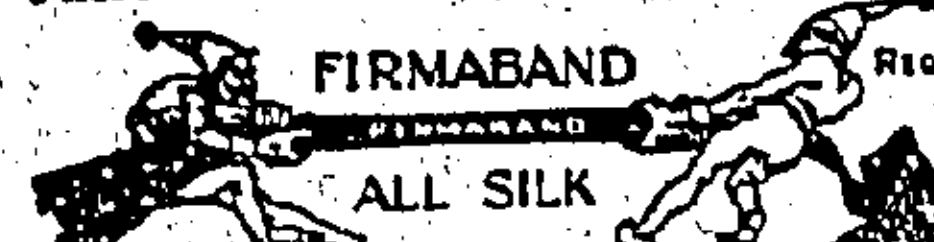
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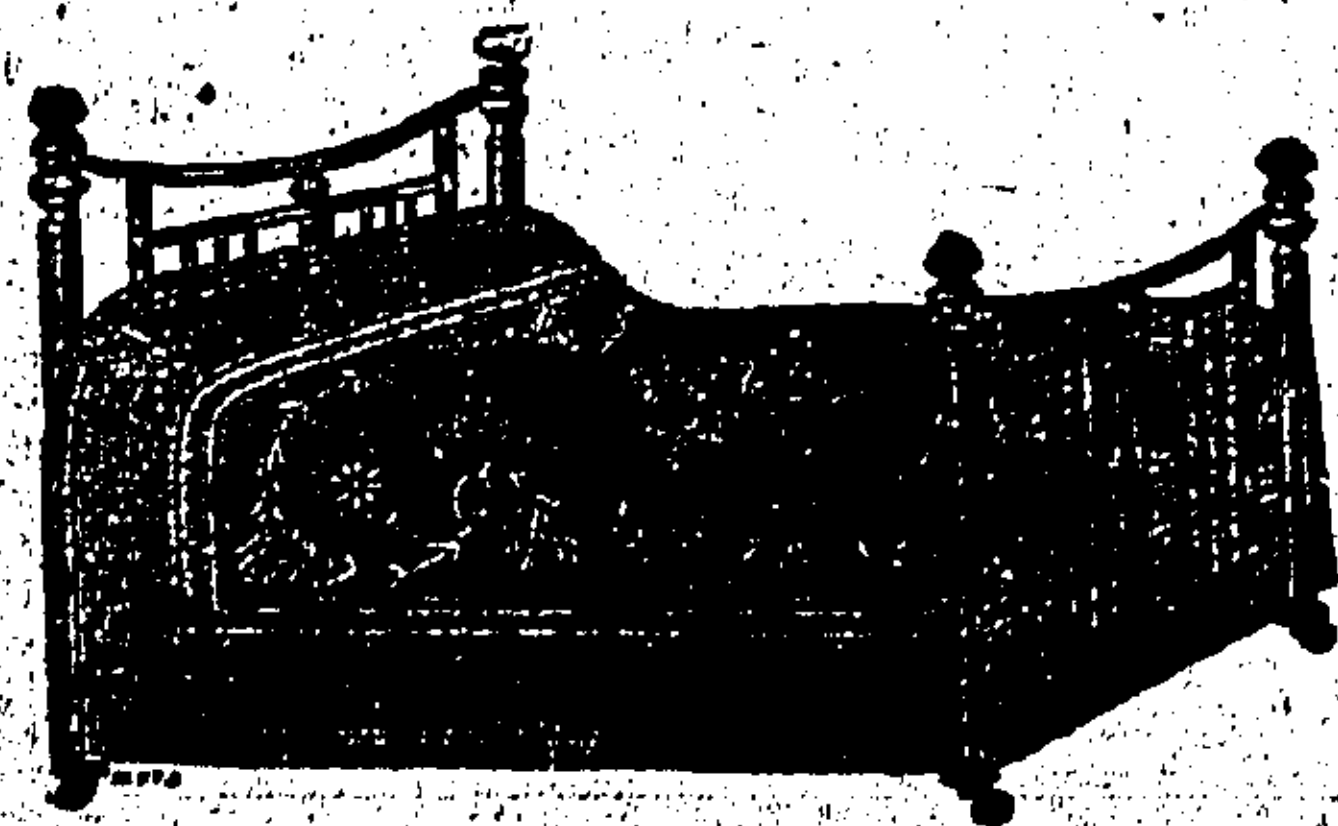


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THE PROPOSED NEW ORDINANCE.

The Bill for the suppression and prevention of abuses in connection with Chinese temples was read a first time at the meeting of the Legislative Council yesterday afternoon on the motion of the Hon. Sir Shou-son Chow seconded by the Hon. Dr. Kotewall.

Hon. Sir Shou-son Chow said:—Sir, I beg to move the first reading of a bill intitled An Ordinance to suppress and prevent abuses in the management of Chinese temples and in the administration of the funds of Chinese temples. My Chinese unofficial colleague and I have given notice, in accordance with the Royal Instructions and the Standing Rules and Orders of this Council, of our intention to apply for this bill. The bill is so fully explained in the Objects and Reasons, which were published in the Gazette of the 23rd March, and which were reproduced in Chinese in the Wa Kiu and other newspapers, that I can deal with the matter in a very general way. The first point which I wish to make is that the bill will not interfere in any way whatsoever with genuine Chinese religion. On the other hand, it will tend to prevent religion being made a source of private gain, and it will, I hope, go far towards preventing the misuse of religion by adventurers who prey on the more ignorant members of the community. Some of the so-called temples against which this bill is aimed are moved about from place to place when the dupes of each locality have been dealt with by the keepers. One object of the bill therefore is to assist genuine Chinese religion by helping it to get rid of adventurers who use it for their own selfish ends. The second object of the bill is charitable. Certain temples which were originally established by sections of the community or the benefit of the public have fallen or are falling under the control of private individuals, who use the profits for their own benefit. These individuals, who have thus encroached on the rights of the public, or whose predecessors have thus encroached on the rights of the public, can have no claim as against the community to continue to usurp the revenues of these temples. Such temples will be brought under the control of the Ordinance and the profits will be used for the purposes of Chinese charities in the Colony generally. Of course the revenue of each temple will be applied in the first instance to the due observance of the customary ceremonies and the maintenance of the temple buildings and temple properties, and only the surplus will be transferred to the General Chinese Charities Funds provided for by the bill.

Committee Of Control.

The main operative provision of the bill is that the revenues, funds, investments and properties of all Chinese temples, except certain exempted temples, shall be under the control of a committee which shall be known as the Chinese Temples Committee and which shall consist of the following persons:—(a) The Chinese members for the time being of the Legislative Council; (b) A representative of the District Watch Committee appointed by the Governor from time to time on the nomination of the District Watch Committee; (c) The Chinese members of the Secretary Board for the time being who shall have been appointed by the Governor; (d) The Chairman for the time being of the Board of Direction of the Tung Wah Hospital; (e) The senior member for the time being of the Committee of the Po Leung Kuk; (f) The Secretary for Chinese Affairs.

The bill provides machinery by which this control can be made effective. The exempted temples, a list of which is contained in the Schedule to the Ordinance, are temples which were originally established by private individuals or particular families, and which are still maintained by the descendants of the original founders, and are managed, unobjectionally, though, of course, the profits go to the private owners. One of these temples is the Tin Hau Temple of Tung Lo Wan, which was established 180 years ago by the Tai family. The Governor-in-Council will have power to add to this Schedule in any proper case. I would draw attention to the fact that all Chinese temples whatsoever will have to be registered under the Ordinance when it becomes law. This is an obviously necessary provision to which no exception can be taken.

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CINEMA NOTES.

"FORLORN RIVER."

A WESTERN PICTURE AT THE WORLD.

[BY OUR FILM CRITIC.]

"Forlorn River" has been made from a Zane Grey story, and deals with the adventures and misadventures of Captain Jack played by Jack Holt.

Captain Jack is a figure in the Robin Hood tradition, he has been cheated out of his cattle ranch, and, at loggerheads with society, becomes the leader of an outlaw band of cattle thieves.

The story, which is well told and moves quickly, gives an opportunity for plenty of spectacular riding and shooting, in which Holt appears as a picturesque and handsome figure. The love of the hero and his, the daughter of a prominent rancher, is cast in the romantic mould. For Jack's sake Captain Jack determines to leave the country and start afresh, however humbly. News of her capture by the outlaws brings him galloping back over hills and dale, down precipices, and through rivers to her rescue. He rides into the outlaw camp and fights a terrific battle for her. Just as defeat seems inevitable, the Sheriff's posse arrive and the attention of the outlaws is diverted to this new danger. Captain Jack is recognised by the Sheriff as the late leader of the final outlaws and shot down. The final scenes however show him pardoned and invited to his sweetheart. "Forlorn River" is a wholesome outdoor story which we think you will enjoy, the characterisation is good throughout. Jack Holt pleasant and virile and Raymond Hatton very amusing as the down at heels hobo Joe. Allette Marchal who plays heroine is not well known but she is a pretty girl and an excellent horsewoman.

THE NEW FELIX FILM

The latest Felix cartoon, "Felix in Blunderland," will form part of the new programme at the Queen's Theatre on Sunday and Monday when the feature film will be the mystery comedy-drama "Whispering Wire."

AN OLD CARNIVAL REVIVED.

"THE CONTRA-DANCE"

An annual function of former years, namely an Easter time fancy dress dance, is to be revived on Sunday by the Sociedade Juvenil at the Orient Tobacco Factory in Nathan Road, Kowloon. Prior to the dance which starts at 9.30 p.m. there will be a "Contra-Dance" or Carnival. Those taking part will march from the President Apartments, Mongkok, to Homantin, from whence they will proceed to the Orient Tobacco Factory for the dance.

On Easter Monday the "Contra-Dance" will take place at Lygum Village. The Orchestra of the Sociedade Juvenil will supply the music for both the "Contra-Dance" and the Fancy Dress Dance. This will be the first revival of this old time Portuguese Carnival since the War. The Easter Sunday function is by invitation only.

Approval Of Chinese.

I only wish to add that the main principles of this bill have been approved by the District Watch Committee, the Tung Wah Hospital Committee, the Po Leung Kuk Committee, and the Kwong Wah Hospital Committee. The District Watch Committee is a body which is not known to the statute law, a distinction which I understand it shares with the Cabinet and the Prime Minister, but I believe that its advice is regarded as of great weight both by the Government and the public. The members of the three other committees are chosen by the community. It would be difficult to find stronger evidence of the support given to the principles of the bill by the leaders of the Chinese community in this Colony. I beg to move the first reading of this bill.

Hon. Dr. Kotewall: I beg to second.

The Attorney General: I rise to support this measure. Both the principles and details of the Bill have been fully considered by the Government who desire to associate themselves fully with the Bill and with what has just been said by the hon. member who introduced it. The Bill was read a first time.

OTHER ORDINANCES.

The Ordinance to amend the Pensions Ordinance, 1922, the Ordinance to provide for the incorporation of the Secretary for Chinese Affairs; the Ordinance to amend the Dangerous Drugs Ordinance, 1923, and the Ordinance to give effect to the change in the name and style of the office of the P.C.M.O. were all read a second and third time and passed.

OBITUARY.

MR. ABDULLA BIN SUFFIAD.

NOTED MOHAMMEDAN LEADER.

With the passing of the late Mr. Abdulla Bin Suffiad, the Mohammedan community of this Colony had lost one of its most able and respected leaders. The deceased was held in high esteem not only by his co-religionists but also by the European and Chinese communities. He was born in Hong Kong and had a host of friends, who were present to pay their last respects at yesterday's funeral.

The late Mr. Suffiad was particularly well-known in local legal circles. He began life as a clerk at the Central Magistracy in 1883. A decade later he was made clerk to the Registrar at the Supreme Court. In 1903 he was promoted to the position of second clerk to the Court and also clerk to the Puisne Judge.

The deceased was a most tactful and able official and his promotion came rapidly, for three years later he was made chief clerk of the Court and clerk to the Chief Justice. The late Mr. Suffiad served under five Chief Justices: Sir John Carrington, Sir William Meigh Gooden, Sir Francis Pigott, Sir Wm. Rees Davies and the present Chief Justice, Sir Henry Gollan—all of whom greatly appreciated his services.

Mr. Suffiad retired in 1923 on pension after being in the Government service for 38 years. During his connection with the local Courts, Mr. Suffiad had earned the gratitude and appreciation of all legal practitioners. As a mark of tribute to the deceased an unflinching test and courtesy, the Hong Kong Law Society made a presentation to him in open court on his retirement. Sir Henry Pollock and Mr. G. K. Hall Brutton spoke to his sterling qualities and the good work he had performed both in the Courts and to every member of the Society.

The late Mr. Suffiad was also very popular among his colleagues, who also made him a handsome presentation on his retirement. He was deeply interested in the welfare of young Muslims and was a fountain of advice and guidance.

Since the death of Mr. F. Arell, the late Mr. Suffiad had been held by local Mohammedans as their leader. He was always to the fore in any charitable and social work which would benefit his co-religionists. His advice had been constantly sought by the less educated class of Mohammedans and no matter how humble their position, the late Mr. Suffiad never turned a deaf ear. Mr. Suffiad is survived by his wife and son. The latter—Mr. A. G. Suffiad is employed at the British American Tobacco Co., Ltd., and to them and other relatives the deepest sympathy is extended.

The Funeral.

The funeral took place yesterday afternoon at the Mohammedan Cemetery, Happy Valley. Almost the entire Mohammedan community turned out to pay their last respects. There were also present several members of the local legal fraternity and members of the Supreme Court. Among those present were: the Chief Justice (Sir Henry Gollan), Mr. Eldon Potter, K.C., Messrs. F. C. Jenkin, C. E. H. Beavis, D. H. Blake, Leo d'Almada, H. K. Woo, M. K. Lo, M. W. Lo and E. Nash.

Floral Tributes.

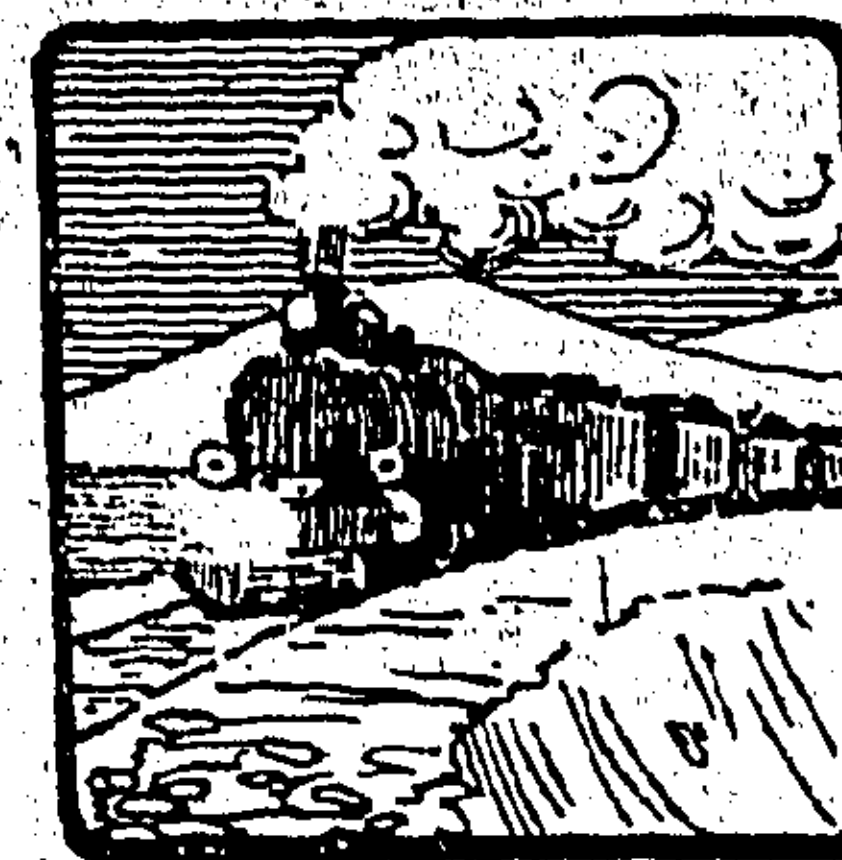
Amongst wreaths sent were from Sir Henry Gollan, Mr. Justice J. R. Wood, Mr. C. D. Melbourne, Mr. F. C. Jenkins, Mr. Eldon Potter, Mr. D. J. Lewis, Mr. F. A. Perry, Mr. A. S. Banker, Mr. Lo Cheung Shiu, Mr. O. H. Wan, Mr. A. P. Bungey, Dr. F. H. Rew, Mr. D. Davies, Mr. J. H. Gelling, Mr. H. A. de B. Botelho, Mr. C. F. Garcia, Mr. J. L. Rocha, Mr. M. J. Gaan, Mr. M. F. de Faria-Neves, Mr. M. M. Remedios, Mr. M. de Silva, Mr. C. G. Anderson, Mr. C. A. S. Rios.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. d'Almada Remedios, Mr. and Mrs. H. Ching, Mr. and Mrs. P. Sequeira, Dr. and Mrs. Y. K. To, Mr. and Mrs. E. Mow Fung, Mrs. G. T. May, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Lay, Mr. and Mrs. T. X. Duc, Mr. and Mrs. John C. Lang, Mr. and Mrs. N. Van Tuong, Mr. and Mrs. Y. Abbas, Mr. and Mrs. Akbar, Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Mayer, Mr. and Mrs. Ying Wing Chan, Mr. and Mrs. Leo d'Almada Castro, Messrs. Johnson, Stokes and Master, Messrs. Lo and Lo, Messrs. Too and Hodgson, Messrs. Hastings, Denny and Bowley, Messrs. Wilkinson and Crist, Messrs. Leo d'Almada and Nephew and staff, Messrs. Woo and Nash, Clerical Staff, Colonial Secretariat, Hong Kong, Bailiff Department, Supreme Court, General Committee and Members, C.O.C.B.A.

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MR. F. O. R. XAVIER.

The funeral of Mr. Francisco O. R. Xavier, a member of an old Portuguese family, took place at the Roman Catholic Cemetery, Happy Valley, yesterday afternoon. Mr. Xavier passed away on Wednesday at the age of 88. He had at one time being the master of a Chinese-owned steamer flying the Portuguese flag and running the Macao and Kwong Chow Wan. Later he held a position under Messrs. Butterfield and Swire. His last appointment was with the Peak Signal Station.

Chief mourners at the funeral were the widow, Messrs. Tony Stephen and Louis Xavier, (sons)

and the Misses Mary, Angeline, Madeline and Esther Xavier (daughters).

Among wreaths sent were from Tony, Stella and family, Stephen and Maria, Louis and sisters, Mr. and Mrs. Choy, York, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. d'Assis, Mr. and Mrs. Jackson Lee, Master Y. Lima Lee (godchild), Mr. and Mrs. Joseph F. d'Assis.

Mr. and Mrs. Li Yat Choy, Mr. and Mrs. Chan Kit Fong, Miss Matilda Pang, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Marr and family, Mr. and Mrs. Sue Ying, Mr. Henry Marr, Mr. Tse and family, Mr. E. B. Hamson, Mr. J. C. Soong, Mr. N. F. Tse and Eastern Extension Telegraph Co. local staff.

CANTON PRECAUTIONS RELAXED.

PATROLS AND DETECTIVES BUSY.

POLICY OF CURRENCY DEFLATION CONTINUED.

BAD SILVER COINAGE.

(FROM OUR CHINESE CORRESPONDENT.)

Canton, April 5th.

Canton is rapidly going back to normal and nocturnal restrictions have been relaxed. Last night, as far as the writer was able to ascertain, only the front of the Central Police Headquarters on Wai Sun Maloo was a prohibited area. All other streets being open to traffic although the patrols were busy stopping and searching belated wayfarers.

Owing to the recent rumours General Tsui King Tong, Commander of the 5th Army, has hastily returned from Waichow to consult the Canton authorities on measures for defence. The 11th and 12th Divisions of the 4th Army under General Chen Tai Tong, which had been despatched to the Hai-luk Fung districts to suppress Communists and outlaws there, have also returned to Canton. These two divisions, under the command respectively of Brigadier Generals Yi Han Mow and Heung Hon Pin, arrived in Canton on steamers. A regiment of General Wong Shiu Hung's Army at Shiu-kwan has also been ordered to reinforce the policing of the Canton-Hankow Railway.

THE APRIL 1ST PLOT.

According to military circles these soldiers were summarily called back because the Government had discovered that the Communists were planning another uprising for April 1st. So far no trouble has occurred but the Government has just instructed its detectives to make every effort to search out Communist rendezvous. General Tang Shih Tang, Police Commissioner of Canton, has ordered his men to keep a close watch on all the tea houses, particularly those on Tai Yi Po and those on Wai On Road, West. According to the Police Commissioner, they are suspicious, because in spite of heavy running expenses and an exceedingly small volume of their trade, these businesses carry on in a most flourishing manner.

The number of police squads in principal thoroughfares of the city searching suspicious persons for illicit firearms, has of late been increased. Several armoured cars are also vigilantly patrolling the streets both day and night.

THE CURRENCY.

The Provincial Treasury has recently received in payments for revenue, taxes and duties, an unusually large amount of Central Bank of China notes. More than 800,000 have been paid in during the past week or so and this sum will all be withdrawn from circulation.

People throughout Kwangtung have been very reluctant to accept subsidiary coin made in the 13th year of the Republic. In many districts, notably Toysan, Sun Wai and Hoi Ping, these silver coins are not used at all, in spite of Government protests and warnings. As a result they pour into Canton where, under the immediate eyes of the Government, they have to be accepted. However, the big merchants accept them only with great reluctance. Hawkers, richa pullers and small merchants refuse them altogether, insisting that they have experienced great difficulty in making purchases with such coin.

The trouble is that the coins are not up to standard. In the 13th year of the Republic when the silver money in question was coined, Kwangtung was under Yang Hui Min and Liu Chin Wan, whose soldiers surreptitiously coined a huge number of counterfeit twenty-cent pieces, most of which bore the words "made in the 13th year of the Republic."

The Provincial Administration has issued a public declaration to the effect that its new coins must be accepted. The Canton Chamber of Commerce has supported the Government declaration and issued a similar statement to the merchants of the city. Yet in spite of the combined efforts of the Government and the Chamber, people are accepting such new coins with caution.

THE WATCHMEN'S ORDINANCE.

PETITION FROM 300 INDIANS.

BILL AMENDED AND PASSED.

TO COME INTO FORCE ON MAY 1st.

The Ordinance for the registration and regulation of watchmen, which has been for a long time under consideration, was finally amended and passed at the Legislative Council yesterday afternoon. It will, however, not come into operation until May 1st.

It was anticipated that Indians who objected to the Bill would brief counsel to appear on their behalf at yesterday's meeting. Instead they contented themselves with submitting to H.E. the Governor and members of the Council a petition which had been drawn up for them by their solicitors, Messrs. Russ & Co. The petition was made in the name of Basant Singh, Kahair Singh and Sapooran Singh on their own behalf and on behalf of 300 Indians resident in the Colony who follow the occupation of watchmen.

The petitioners submitted that watchmen in Hong Kong were, with few exceptions, either Indian or Chinese and that as the Chinese were exempt from the compulsory provisions of this bill, the bill, if passed would be in the nature of a discriminatory measure against Indians who were British subjects in favour of Chinese who, mostly, were not. This discrimination they contended seemed to bear with greater harshness in view of the fact that all Indians were already, in effect, registered with the Police and could not leave the Colony without the sanction of the Police, whilst Chinese could come and go at will. It was not suggested that registration of Indian watchmen would in itself in any way adversely affect the petitioners but that the form taken by the bill did cast a slur on members of the Indian race as such.

The Petition concluded:—"It is respectfully submitted that if your petitioners correctly interpret the 'reasons' for the bill, the bill was intended to provide a corps of police watchmen. If such a corps is desirable it seems equally desirable that it should be under proper discipline as is provided by the bill. Nowhere, however, can an admirable bill should be married to provisions so wide in their scope. Registration of watchmen in principle does not appear in any way contrary to the spirit of freedom of contract. It is only in the compulsory parts of the bill as applied to private watchmen that the rights of the individual are interfered with. It is respectfully submitted that the efficiency either of a corps of watchmen or of a system of registration of watchmen can best be tested by a voluntary system. If employers and police watchmen better than private watchmen surely the private watchmen will lose their employment. If on the other hand employers find private watchmen better than police watchmen, it does not seem unreasonable that they should be allowed to employ those who serve them best, and who are under their own control.

Your petitioners therefore pray that the bill be so amended as to exclude all provisions of a compulsory nature which your petitioners consider unworkable, unjust, discriminatory, inequitable and unfair and to represent an attack on a loyal and provident class composed of natural born British subjects."

The Attorney-General moved that this petition be laid upon the table. He said: "I understand copies of the petition have been received by all members of the Council so that no doubt they have given the matter full consideration. The petition has also been considered by the Government and discussed in the Executive Council this morning. As a result of that consideration and discussion it is proposed to make two amendments to the Bill in Committee at a later stage of this meeting."

The Colonial Secretary seconded and this procedure was agreed to. Later the Council went into Committee for further consideration of the Watchmen's Bill, and in Committee he moved that Clause 3 be amended by the insertion of the word "police" before "watchmen" in paragraphs a, b, c, d and e in subsection (1). The effect of the amendment, he said, will be that the power of fixing wages, making and altering grades and ranks of watchmen, regulating conditions of employment, providing for discipline and control and imposing duties and obligations on employers, will apply only to police watchmen. The Colonial Secretary seconded and this was agreed to.

On the motion of the Attorney-General, seconded by the Colonial Secretary, the bill was passed.

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BUILDERS' BRICK DISPUTE.

BOTH SIDES WIN CLAIMS.

NET GAIN OF \$2,255 FOR PLAINTIFFS.

The Chief Justice gave his decision at the Supreme Court yesterday, as soon as Counsel's arguments were concluded, in the case in which the Ng Hing Company claimed \$43,238.42 from the Hing Yip Company, Limited, for work done and materials supplied in the building of houses. The defendants counter-claimed for \$24,000 on the grounds that the bricks used were inferior to those stipulated in the contract.

The plaintiffs were awarded \$33,790 with costs and on the counter-claim the following awards were made: Defective bricks, \$19,880; delay in completion of contract, \$7,500; water used by plaintiff and paid for by the defendant, \$600; removal of earth from the site, \$600.

These amounts total \$33,505, leaving a net profit for the plaintiffs of \$2,255.

COUNSELLORS' SPEECHES.

In the course of his address on behalf of defendants, Mr. Jenkin said that the contract was perfectly clear and there could be no mistake about the quality of the bricks that should have been used. He could not prove absolutely that no contract bricks had been used, but a very fair test had revealed no trace of any.

On plaintiffs' own evidence that they paid \$190 per 10,000 for the bricks it was clear they were not up to the sample, the ruling price being \$232 per 10,000 for large quantities. The number of bricks used, 2,500,000 would have been larger, namely 2,643,000 if they had been the specified Nam Kong bricks.

In reply Mr. Sheldon said that it had not been proved that the contract bricks could not be obtained at \$190 per 10,000. He contended that this view was supported by the plaintiffs' brick-book. If the other side had wished to challenge it they should have had it translated and based on examination upon it. His clients had relied largely upon that evidence which the defence had not challenged.

Mr. Potter replied that the book had only been available for a week. His Lordship entered judgment as stated.

Secretary clause 7 was omitted from the Bill. This read:

(1) No person shall, without the permission of the Captain Superintendent of Police, perform or continue to perform the duties of a watchman for more than one employer.

(2) No person shall, without the permission of the Captain Superintendent of Police, knowingly employ or continue to employ as a watchman any person who is employed by any other employer.

In support of his motion the Attorney-General said it was proposed to leave this contract, which was one of private contract, to the employers themselves to deal with, and not to make it a prohibition under the bill.

It was then agreed that an additional clause should be added reading: "This Ordinance shall come into operation on the first day of May, 1928," the Attorney-General explaining that the reason why it was proposed to insert a commencing clause was in order to give time for persons who will be affected by the Ordinance to register themselves before the Ordinance came into operation.

Council resumed and the Bill was then read a third time and passed. H.E. the Governor, Council adjourned until this day fortnight, April 10th, at 2.30 p.m.

Those present at the Council meeting were H.E. the Governor, H.E. the General Officer Commanding the Troops, the Colonial Secretary, the Attorney-General, the Colonial Treasurer, the Director of Public Works, the Captain Superintendent of Police, the Secretary for Chinese Affairs, the Hon. Sir Henry Pollock, the Hon. Sir Shenton, the Hon. Dr. Kotewicz, the Hon. Mr. W. E. L. Shenton, the Hon. Mr. A. C. Hynes, the Hon. Mr. J. Owen Hughes and Mr. R. W. Ainsworth (Deputy Clerk of Councils).

NEW MEMBER.

Hon. Mr. W. E. L. Shenton took the oath upon taking his seat as a member of the Council. He fills the vacancy, on H.E. the Governor's nomination, caused by the retirement of Mr. D. G. M. Bernard.

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

A meeting of the Finance Committee followed the Council meeting, the Colonial Secretary presiding. The votes totalling \$138,932, details of which were given in yesterday's Daily Press, were approved.

In connection with the vote of \$103,000 for enlarging the accommodation in the Colonial Secretariat, the Hon. Mr. J. Owen Hughes asked whether this sum included the rental which would have to be paid for extra offices whilst building was in progress.

The Colonial Secretary: Yes. It will cover all the costs as far as one can foresee.

A SURPLUS LAST YEAR.

FINANCIAL OUTLOOK MUCH BRIGHTER.

CONFIDENCE IN FUTURE JUSTIFIED.

TRIBUTES TO MR. D. G. M. BERNARD AT COUNCIL MEETING.

At the meeting of the Legislative Council yesterday afternoon further tributes were paid to the services to the Colony rendered by Mr. D. G. M. Bernard who left for Home earlier in the week. These tributes were heartily endorsed by H.E. the Governor who referred to the fact that Mr. Bernard became a member of the Council "in the dark and dangerous days of the Spring of 1926." His Excellency contrasted the position then with that at the present day. Last year the Government budgeted for a deficit of a million dollars, but a surplus of half a million was realised. The present year was begun with a surplus of assets over liabilities of four million dollars and in the quarter just completed revenue had exceeded the estimates by more than seven lakhs of dollars.

Hon. Sir Henry Pollock said:—"As this is the first meeting of the Legislative Council after the departure of Mr. Bernard from the Colony, the Unofficial Members desire to associate themselves with Your Excellency's remarks, recently published in the Press in regard to Mr. Bernard's valuable services to the Colony. His sound judgment and great benefit not only in this Council, but also in the Executive Council. We desire to record our appreciation accordingly."

Hon. Sir Shou-son Chow: On behalf of the Chinese Community my Chinese colleague and I heartily associate ourselves with the remarks of the hon. senior unofficial member concerning the valuable services rendered by Mr. Bernard to the Colony during the time he served as a member of Council.

H.E. the Governor, Gentlemen, I heartily endorse what Sir Henry Pollock and Sir Shou-son Chow have said. Mr. Bernard became a member of the Executive and Legislative Councils of this Colony in the dark and dangerous days of the spring of 1926. We then had seldom before us a choice between good and bad. We were usually confronted by nothing but a choice of evils. In taking the difficult decisions which had then to be made, I felt that I could implicitly rely on Mr. Bernard to interpret to me the true opinions of the local mercantile community as well as of the Hong Kong General Chamber of Commerce, and that he would in his turn explain faithfully to all with whom he came in contact the real policy underlying the actions of the Hong Kong Government. The Colony has now safely weathered the storm and the financial outlook is much brighter. As the Council knows, we budgeted for a deficit of a million dollars in respect of the year 1927. But the year's working has in fact realized a surplus of half a million dollars. So we began the financial year now current with a total surplus of assets over liabilities amounting to about four million dollars. Moreover, the first quarter of the year 1928 has now gone by; and I am glad to say that the Colony's revenue for that quarter shows an increase of more than seven lakhs of dollars over the estimate. Therefore, although caution is still necessary, confidence in the future is justified. In the achievement of this happy result Mr. Bernard played a notable part, not only as member of the Executive and Legislative Councils, but also as Chairman of the Hong Kong General Chamber of Commerce and as the head of the great firm of Jardine, Matheson & Co. We shall miss him sadly from our deliberations and we do well to place on record our warm appreciation of his services to Hong Kong. (Applause.)

COUNTERFEITER ARRESTED.

RAID ON HOUSE IN YAU MATI.

A Chinese was formally charged before Mr. W. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday with unlawfully having in his possession three moulds upon which were impressed a resemblance of both sides of the King's current silver coin. The defendant was arrested as a result of a raid on No. 356 Portland Street, by a party of detectives. A quantity of paraphernalia for the manufacture of counterfeit coins was also seized.

Inspector Fallon applied for a warrant for a week intimating that other charges might be preferred against the prisoner. This was granted.

COLLISION IN 'CAPSULIMUN.'

WHICH VESSEL DID THE STRIKING?

CONTRADICTORY EVIDENCE.

The adjourned hearing of the enquiry at the Marine Court was resumed yesterday morning before Commander J. B. Newill, President, and assisted by a Court of four other Naval and Mercantile Officers. Mr. Hugh Jones appeared on behalf of the Standard Oil Company and for the coxswain and crew of the "Socony" launch *Katonah*, and the master of the s.s. *Taming* (Capt. Geo. D. S. Mills) was represented by Mr. G. K. Hall Brutton.

A DIFFICULT WITNESS.

The coxswain of the "Socony" tug *Katonah* continuing his evidence was examined by the Court regarding the exact position of the mast lights. Extremely difficulty was experienced in translating and explaining the exact questions which the Court wished the witness to answer. The witness appeared to contradict himself several times but with the aid of models it was elicited that the upper steaming light of the *Taming* was to the left of the lower light when he first sighted her. The Court still unsatisfied again questioned the witness with the aid of pencils and balls of paper representing lights. As a result of these demonstrations the witness totally reversed his statements regarding the position of the *Taming's* lights.

The Court then came to the decision that the *Katonah* had altered its course to starboard just after sighting the port light of the *Taming*. The *Taming* had also, apparently altered its course and opened both side lights.

"Cusses" From The "Taming" Bridge.

Mr. W. G. Lawson was called and stated that he held a master's certificate and was a passenger on the "Socony" launch *Katonah*. A little prior to the collision the witness was in his cabin and on hearing the first blast of the *Katonah's* whistle prepared himself to come on deck. On hearing the second long blast of the *Katonah* he hurried on deck. On his way up he heard the telegraph of the engine room, followed by the full reverse of the engines. Arriving on deck he saw the *Taming* about 50 yards ahead avoiding the collision. The *Taming* struck the lighter a glancing blow at the bridge deck. Asked by Mr. Hall Brutton how long witness was on deck at the time of the collision, Mr. Lawson replied rather humorously "Long enough to hear the 'cusses' which the coxswain and I received from the bridge of the *Taming*." "They probably took me for one of the Chinese crew," Mr. Lawson also stated that the "cusses" were received just before the impact took place.

The "Katonah's" Pilot.

The pilot of the *Katonah*, was then called and stated that after passing Ma Wan Point the course was altered to starboard. They then steered towards the north shore for about 15 minutes. The mast head and port lights of the *Taming* were then sighted on his port bow. On sighting the red light of the *Taming* the *Katonah* blew a blast and altered her course a little to starboard. The *Taming* also altered her course and very soon he saw both side lights of the approaching vessel. The coxswain then blew one long blast and put the helm on centre. As the *Taming* was still closing the coxswain ordered the engines to be stopped. By this time only the green light of the *Taming* was showing and the coxswain ordered the engines full astern.

Questioned by Mr. Hall Brutton, the witness replied that he could not see the *Taming* until she was within 2,000 feet of them because of the surrounding high lands.

The Court then questioned the witness with regard to the range of vision and decided that it was possible to see for a distance of six miles West when clear of Ma Wan Island. The witness denied that the lighter lashed to the tug obstructed his view in any way whatsoever.

Mr. B. K. Duncan, of the Talkoo Dockyards, stated that he had surveyed both the s.s. *Taming* and the lighter *Vernon* and formed his opinion that the lighter had struck the *Taming*. His statements, however, were subject to a strong denial by Mr. Hugh Jones.

Decision Reserved.

At the resumption of the enquiry in the afternoon, the President, Comdr. J. B. Newill, D.S.O., said: "The Court has not yet come to any decision, but the finding will be delivered to both parties in writing." The enquiry was then closed.

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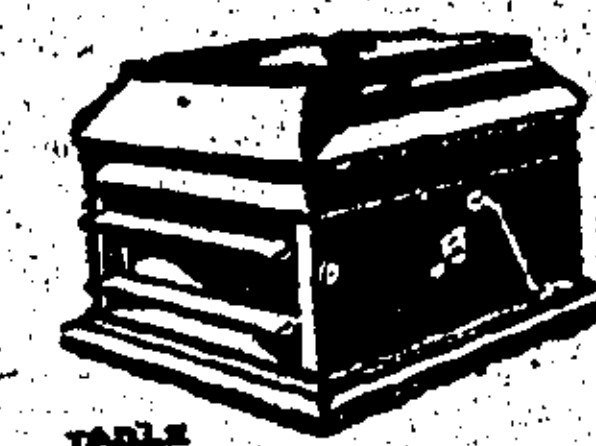
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NATIONALIST OFFENSIVE OPENS.

HEAVY FIGHTING REPORTED WITH
FENGTIENESE."DARE DEVILS" PLAN ATTACK ON
NATIONALISTS.BRITAIN AND THE NANKING
SETTLEMENT.

According to reports both from the vernacular papers and from *Reuter's*, it appears that the Nationalists have opened the general offensive against the Northerners, and the Fengtienese are reported to have suffered heavy casualties.

One of the main lines of the Nationalist attack seems to be on the Taiyuan-Taiyuan Railway, where recent reports have stated that the Fengtienese themselves have been heavily concentrating. Railways are the main strategic points of attack, but there is heavy fighting all along the front.

The Fengtienese recently claimed that the Red Spears and the Heavenly Gate Society were on their side against the Kuomintang. Whether this is in fact so or not, it seems undoubted that another secret society, the "Dare Devils" in Shantung, are siding against the Nationalists.

Sir Austen Chamberlain has stated that no satisfactory agreement has been reached with the Nationalist Government in regard to the Nanking Incident. Negotiations will be continued as opportunity offers.

NATIONALIST GENERAL
OFFENSIVE.

HEAVY-FIGHTING.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

SHANGHAI, April 5th.

A telegram from Hsuehchow to the *Kuo Min* states that the general offensive against Marshal Chang Tso Lin has been launched on the Taiyuan-Chenting, Kin-Han and Tsin-Pu lines. It adds that heavy fighting has broken out on all fronts.

FENGTIENESE CASUALTIES.

[Wah Keung Pao.]

SHANGHAI, April 5th.

On the 4th, the Fengtien army and the troops under the command of General Yen Shih Shan were fiercely engaged on the north-west of the Shansi Province. On the Chengyin frontier, heavy batteries were in action. Fierce fighting is also reported at Lungchenkwan and Ngamunkwan. It is reported that the Fengtien army is suffering heavy casualties.

"DARE DEVILS" IN
SHANTUNG.

[Wah Keung Pao.]

SHANGHAI, April 5th.

Some soldiers armed with red appears suddenly appeared on the Western frontier of Shantung. These are known to be "Dare Devils" siding with the Shantung army. They are planning an attack on the Nationalists.

SWEDISH BOMB OUTRAGE.

NEAR NAVAL ARSENAL.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

KARLSKRONA, April 5th.

A bomb was thrown at a house near the Naval Arsenal to-day. There was a terrific crash and many windows were broken. The only occupant of the house at the time was Captain Count Wachtmeister, who was not injured. There has yet been no arrest.

AFGHANISTAN AND JAPAN.

TREATY SIGNED IN LONDON.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, April 4th.

A Treaty just concluded between Afghanistan and Japan provides for an exchange of diplomatic missions at Tokyo and Kabul and the establishment of commercial relations, provision for travel and other facilities for their respective nationals.

Reuter has been informed that the Treaty was signed in London to-day by the Afghan Minister to London and the Japanese Ambassador.

NAVAL COURT
MARTIAL.MACHIAVELLIAN
CONSPIRACY!

INDIGNANT PROTESTS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

GIBRALTAR, April 5th.

The trial of Capt. Dewar is expected to conclude by 7 p.m. to enable the Fleet to sail to-morrow. There are fifteen witnesses for the defence, all from the *Royal Oak*, who may be called.

The proceedings opened at 9.30 in the morning with the resumption of the Prosecutor's cross-examination of Capt. Dewar.

Capt. Dewar, during his cross-examination by the Prosecutor, warmly declared that the latter was twisting his words. He had not intended to convey the impression that the *Royal Oak* was in a latent state of mutiny.

Capt. Dewar ridiculed the idea that he and Comdr. Daniel entered into a Machiavellian conspiracy to remove Rear-Admiral Collard.

Wednesday's Hearing.

GIBRALTAR, April 4th.

Captain Dewar, continuing his cross-examination, referred to Rear-Admiral Collard's remark that he was fed up with his ship.

Rear-Admiral Collard denied having said that, declaring that what he said was "I am fed up with my Flag-Captain."

He emphatically refused to admit that his omission to return the salute would have a bad effect on the discipline aboard H.M.S. *Royal Oak*, adding "Discipline in a good ship does not depend on that sort of trivial rubbish."

He considered, he said when further questioned, that Captain Dewar was entitled under Article Eleven to make a report, provided the report was made in a proper manner.

Threat To Chaplain Denied.

Rear-Admiral Collard declared that a Captain should make his report verbally. A written complaint was not justified until all other Service methods had been employed.

He denied that he threatened to court-martial the chaplain for making a complaint to Captain Dewar.

More than once pulled up by the President on the ground that the questions he was putting were inadmissible, Captain Dewar asked that a protest be entered on the minutes "against the limitations placed in the cross-examination of this witness."

The Court Martial was adjourned.

GOOD FRIDAY.

NO HOME PAPERS PUBLISHED.

LONDON, April 5th.

A Reuter message stated that no papers are being published in England to-day (Good Friday).

AMERICAN OR DUTCH?

SWISS ARBITRATOR DECIDES.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

THE HAGUE, April 4th.

M. Max Huber, the Swiss statesman, who was appointed as arbitrator in the dispute between the United States and the Netherlands in respect of the sovereignty of the Island of Palmas, between the Dutch East India and the Philippine Islands, has decided that the island is definitely Dutch territory.

"MOTHS" FOR NEW
ZEALAND.

AMATEUR FLYING CLUB.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUGBY, April 4th.

The New Zealand Minister for Defence has announced that his Government has decided to purchase eight "Moth" aeroplanes from England.

Four are to be sent to the Auckland and Christchurch Amateur Flying Club, while the others will be used for training purposes at the Government aerodrome at Christchurch.

ILLICIT OPIUM
TRAFFIC.

BELIEVED ON THE INCREASE.

AMERICAN EFFORTS TO
STOP IT.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

WASHINGTON, April 5th.

There is evidence to show that illicit narcotics are entering the United States in increasing quantities. The United States has arranged with Britain, France and Germany, and hopes to arrange with other countries, to exchange information about this traffic.

It is sought to eradicate the abuse of opium and cocaine, though licensing their derivatives, by enacting laws limiting the manufacture to the medical needs of the world. It is hoped to include most of Europe in this campaign.

END OF AFGHAN VISIT.

FURNITURE MADE IN
ENGLAND.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUGBY, April 4th.

The King and Queen of Afghanistan leave London to-morrow morning. Prince Henry, who has just assumed the title of Duke of Gloucester, and Sir Austen Chamberlain will be at Victoria to see them off.

Lord Allenby will accompany them to Dover, and the Channel crossing will be made in a specially chartered boat to Calais, where the King and Queen will say goodbye to Sir Francis Humphry, Colonel Wickham and the other British representatives who have been with them during their visit to England.

No definite time has been fixed for the visit of their Afghan Majesties to Russia. They have given many orders for household and other goods during their stay in England. Many of the apartments of the new palace being built at Kabul will be fitted with British-made furniture bought in London.

THE "WARD" DIARY.

AMERICAN PAYS HIGH
PRICE.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, April 4th.

Dr. Rosenbach, the Philadelphia collector, at Sotheby's to-day bought for \$10,500 the "Ward" diary, kept by the Vicar of Stratford-on-Avon from 1629 to 1681.

It contains most valuable references to Shakespeare and most of the diary is hitherto unpublished. A first edition of Ptolemy's Geography of 1477 was sold for \$3,400 to a Britisher, Mr. Maggs.

THE MURDER OF TROTSKY.

SOVIET DENIALS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

MOSCOW, April 4th.

The reports current in Paris that M. Trotsky, the exiled communist leader, has been murdered, are untrue.

DUKE OF YORK'S HOLIDAY.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUGBY, April 4th.

The Duke and Duchess of York left London to-day on a private visit to the Continent. Their Royal Highnesses will return about the middle of next week.

GENERAL WRANGEL ILL.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

BRUSSELS, April 4th.

General Wrangel, the famous "White" Russian, who lives at Brussels, is seriously ill suffering from abdominal catarrh.

OBITUARY.

DR. CHAUNCEY DEPEW.

The death has occurred in New York of Dr. Chauncey Mitchell Depew, at the age of 94.

Dr. Chauncey Depew had been prominently connected with public life for a very great many years, for he first became a member of the Legislature of the State of New York in 1861. In 1883 he was a candidate for the Presidency and four years later declined the appointment of Secretary of State.

Dr. Depew was long and prominently connected with rail road interests, and at the end of his life he was Chairman of the Board of Directors of the New York Central Rail Road Company, and a Director in 34 other Rail Road Companies.

EGYPT'S TREATY
REFUSAL.

CHAMBERLAIN'S REPLY.

POINTS REMAIN RESERVED.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, April 4th.

Replying to the Egyptian Note, on which Nahas Pasha made a statement to journalists yesterday, Sir Austen Chamberlain declines to accept the Note as a correct exposition of relations between Great Britain and Egypt, or of their respective obligations.

Sir Austen declares that as the Egyptian Government has refused a Treaty which aimed at securing the settlement of the four points reserved under the declaration of 1922, the *status quo ante* continues.

The reserved points, he states, remain reserved to the absolute discretion of the British Government—the Egyptian Government exercising its independent authority subject to satisfying His Majesty's Government on these matters.

The points reserved under the 1922 Declaration were the questions of security of communications in Egypt, defence, protection of foreign interests, and protection of minorities and the Sudan.

UNION CHURCH WEDDING.

STUART-CUNNINGHAM.

The wedding of Mrs. Agnes M. Stuart, housekeeper of the Peak Hotel, to Mr. Robert Cunningham took place yesterday at the Union Church, the Rev. Captain Alexander officiating, and Mr. W. L. Walker, of the P.W.D., was "best man."

Mrs. Stuart wore a dress of grey georgette over grey chambray with a white crinoline hat. Miss M. J. Stuart, the bridesmaid, had a frock of smoke brown georgette veiling pearl satin with hat to match; bouquets of roses and sweetpeas were carried by both bride and bridesmaid.

The reception was held at the Hong Kong Hotel, and Mrs. Cunningham left for Macao, where the honeymoon is to be spent, in a dress of blue crepe de chine, a leopard skin coat and a cream felt hat.

PROPERTY SALE.

TWO HOUSES SOLD FOR
\$25,000.

A valuable piece of property known as Inland Lot No. 437 which has an area of 27,772 square feet and two houses was sold by public auction at the China Auction Rooms yesterday.

There were several bidders at the sale, and the property was finally knocked down to Mr. Kwok Yuen Sing for \$25,000.

WEATHER REPORT.

Yesterday's weather report, forecast and remarks, issued by the Royal Observatory at 5.45 p.m., stated:—
The anti-cyclone has moved into the Eastern Sea.
Local Forecast:—East winds, fresh to moderate, fine generally.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The Fire Brigade received a summons from the fire alarm near the Hong Kong Hotel last night at about 9 p.m. Two appliances were immediately despatched and on arriving it was found that a small fire had broken out in the rear stairway of York Buildings. The fire was soon extinguished.

A Chinese driving a Studebaker car No. 540 knocked down a man carrying a little child in Chatham Road, Kowloon, yesterday afternoon. Fortunately the mudguard only slightly scraped the Amah, and neither the woman nor the child were in any way hurt, except that the baby received slight shock.

Mr. O. E. C. Marton, appearing on behalf of Mrs. E. F. Cameron in the Summary Court yesterday, asked that the case brought by Madame Flint, claiming \$330 from his client, be struck out. He understood that Madame Flint had left the Colony. This course was agreed to by the Puisne Judge (Mr. J. B. Wood).

A sentence of ten months' hard labour and twenty strokes was passed by Mr. R. E. Lindsell yesterday morning on a Chinese who pleaded guilty to returning from ten years banishment from the Colony ordered in 1923. The man's record showed four convictions before he was banished.

THE RUBBER RESTRICTIONS.

SINGAPORE'S CALM RECEPTION.

A HEALTHY PALLIATIVE.

FAVOURABLE PRESS COMMENT.

Mr. Baldwin, in the House of Commons, sprang a very great surprise upon the trade when he announced that all restrictions on the export of rubber from Malaya and Ceylon would be removed on November 1st.

Members of the House of Commons were as much surprised as everyone else and in general considered that it was a false move on the part of the Premier. Consternation reigned in the Rubber Exchange when the announcement became known, and business was partially paralysed.

Both Colombo and Singapore seem to have accepted the Prime Minister's announcement with great equanimity, and Press comment, even when it is not actively favourable, seems determined to stress the brighter side.

Home newspaper comment is almost unanimously in favour of Mr. Baldwin's move, saying that it is quite time that the industry stood upon its own feet. The *Daily Mail* launches an attack upon the Government action; but at the same time states that restrictions were an "economic mistake."

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

IN PARLIAMENT.

LONDON, April 4th.

Mr. Stanley Baldwin announced in the House of Commons to-day that the Cabinet has decided that all restrictions on the export of rubber from Malaya and Ceylon will be removed on November 1st, and that the existing restriction scheme will continue unaltered in the meantime.

Many Questions.

Mr. D. Kirkwood (Lab.):—Why should there be a restriction on rubber?

Mr. Baldwin replied that it would take a quarter of an hour to explain that, but he could assure Mr. Kirkwood that there would be a debate on the subject and full information would be given.

Sir Frank Nelson:—Does the removal of the rubber restriction scheme require the sanction of the House of Commons?

Mr. Baldwin asked for notice of the question, but said he thought it could be done by order of the Colonial Office.

Mr. Neil MacLean:—If you have the right to remove restrictions or impose restrictions, what is the use of having a debate on the matter?

Mr. Kirkwood declared:—There is something behind all this.

Lieut. Comdr. J. M. Kenworthy intimated that he would raise the question again to-morrow.

Members' Surprise.

Members of the House interviewed by Reuter subsequent to Mr. Baldwin's announcement generally expressed surprise at its nature.

Sir Robert Hutchison said: "It will mean disaster to the industry. Thousands will have to be closed, and the number of unemployed in Malaya will be a menace to the Government. Ultimately the control of the industry will pass into American hands."

Electoral Point of View.

Sir William Lane-Mitchell said: "Mr. Baldwin's brutal declaration indicated that he has no appreciation of the effect of the statement."

Sir Frank Nelson:—The decision is deplorable from an electoral point of view."

Mr. H. E. Crawford:—"The removal of the restrictions will mean in the long run that efficient estates will become established and the speculative grower will not be so prominent."

Absolute consternation was caused on the Rubber Exchange by Mr. Baldwin's announcement.

Wait And See.

The price of spot rubber dropped 2d. per lb almost immediately. There were, however, few buyers, most of the members preferring to wait the trend of events. Subsequently there was a slight recovery, but the market was disorganised.

Rubber shares all fell heavily. The commodity has declined 7d. per lb since the Premier first referred the question to the Civil Research Committee.

Reuter's Lobby Correspondent states that it is improbable that there will be a rubber discussion on the motion for adjournment to-morrow. On the contrary, the debate is much more likely to take place on the Colonial Office Estimates later in the Session when it will be possible to cover a wider field.

New York Excitement.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]
New York, April 4th.

Rubber circles were most excited at Mr. Stanley Baldwin's announcement and prices on the local market immediately dropped five cents per lb.

There was unparalleled excitement on the Rubber Exchange. Trading reached a record volume, no fewer than 2,607 lots changing hands in the space of three hours.

July deliveries opened at 28½ cents and there were similar movements in most other positions.

Mr. Baldwin's decision is far more drastic than was expected. The general opinion of the trade was that the regulations would be revised, but few believed that the restrictions would be totally abolished.

The total business done during the day amounted to 8,996 tons, valued at \$10,200, and eclipsing all records in the history of the Exchange.

**"A FEW DRINKS BUT
SENSIBLE."**

VISITING A FRIEND AT
2 A.M.

2 A.M.

AGAINST C.P.O. KELSEY.

Chief Petty Officer W. G. Kelsey, who drove a car into the harbor and alleged to have knocked down a Chinese and causing his death on March 25th at about 3 or 4 a. m., came up on remand before J. R. E. Lindell at the Central Magistracy yesterday on a charge of manslaughter. Kelsey is defended by Mr. G. S. Hugh Jones. Sergeant G. Buckner called the prosecution side of the case. The defendant and another naval man approached him while he was on duty at West Point. The defendant told witnesses that he wanted to get to Kennedy Town but that the motor-car drivers in the vicinity asked too much. Witness then told them to go a car nearby and told the driver to take them to Kennedy Town. That was the last witness saw of them.

Questioned by the Magistrate

to whether or not the defendant and his friend were sober at the time, witness replied that they appeared to have had a few drinks but they were sensible.

What Sort Of A House?

Wong Hoi Tung, the next
ness called, deposed to know
the defendant. Witness said
he was the No. 1 boy at the
Parisienne when he first met
defendant, about six months
ago. He gave defendant his address
and invited him to visit his home.
Defendant knocked witness
that morning at about 2
o'clock. They had a big bottle of beer
between the three of them.

Mr. Lindsell: What, a big

of beer between the three of
Are you sure they did not
any more?—No, only one bot
Mr. Lindsell (to Inspector
under prosecuting): I am a

all the witnesses for the pro

Inspector Alexander: This is now telling an entirely different story to what he told me.

Witness, continuing, said when the defendant left his house he was quite sober.

Mr. Lindsell: You run backhitch—No.

In answer to further questions, witness said that the defendant had called at his house on the three previous occasions, at each visit, defendant had come between one or two o'clock in the morning.

It will be recalled that

time of the accident, there
four persons in the car. The
his *foki* (a learner driver)
defendant and Stoker White.
When the car took the plunge
the harbour, the *foki* disapp
from eight. A search was ma
him, but he could not be
The driver thinking that the
was drowned, abandoned
search.

The *foki* have evidence
day. He corroborated the
ment made by the driver up
time of the accident. A
stage he said that he was
to look as the car was tra
at a very fast speed. He
couldn't whether anyone ha
knocked down or not. Wh
car went over the Brava wa

ness became unconscious. F

in that estate for at least nine minutes. When he came he found himself between the of a junk and the back motor-car. His position was that his feet were clear water. He extricated himself came back to shore. He could see the driver nor the defendant. He only saw a crowd of but he did not pay attention

what they were doing. He first of all to report to his

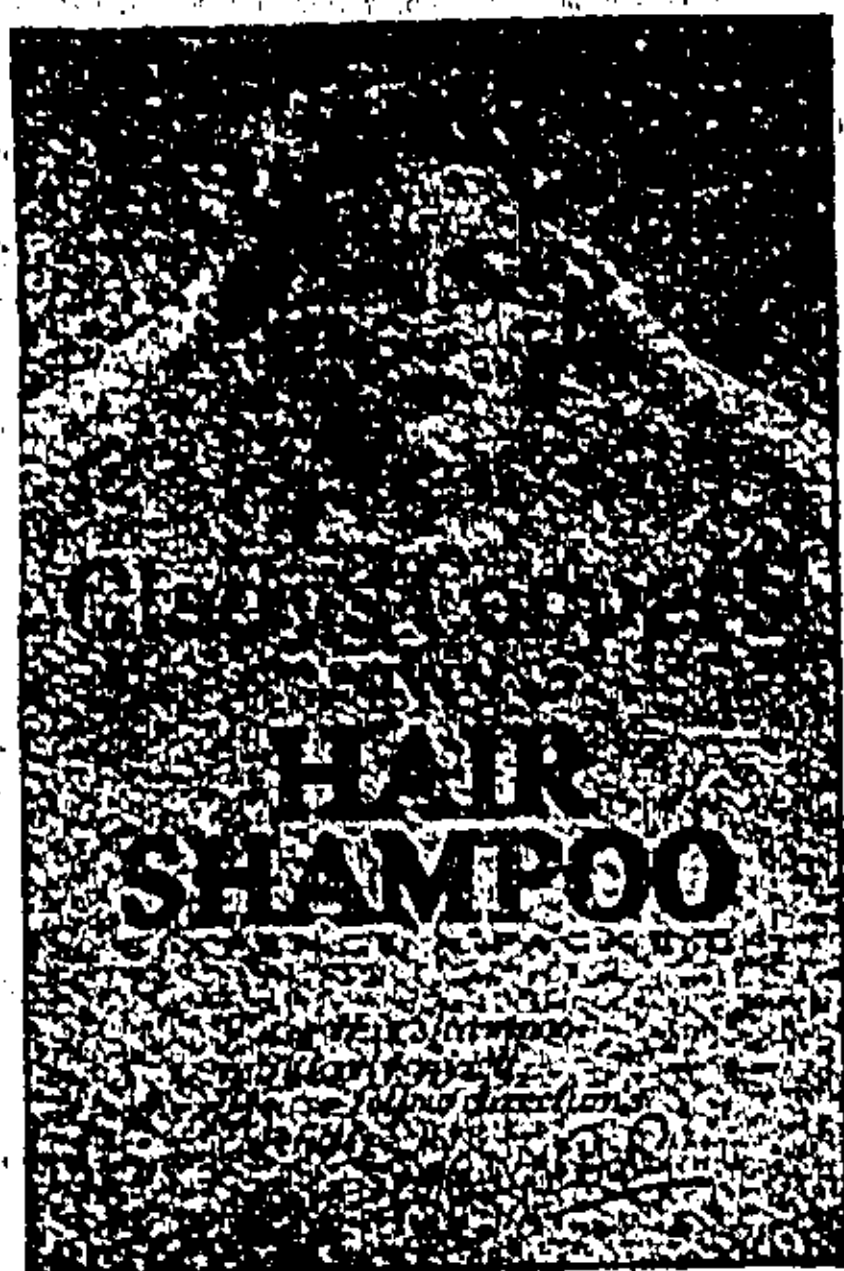
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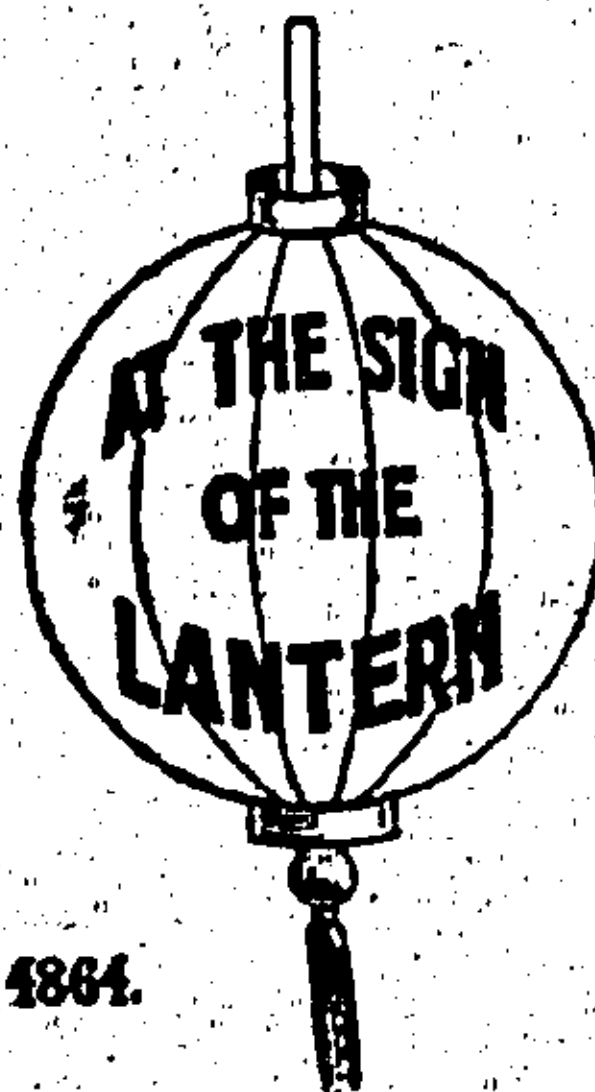
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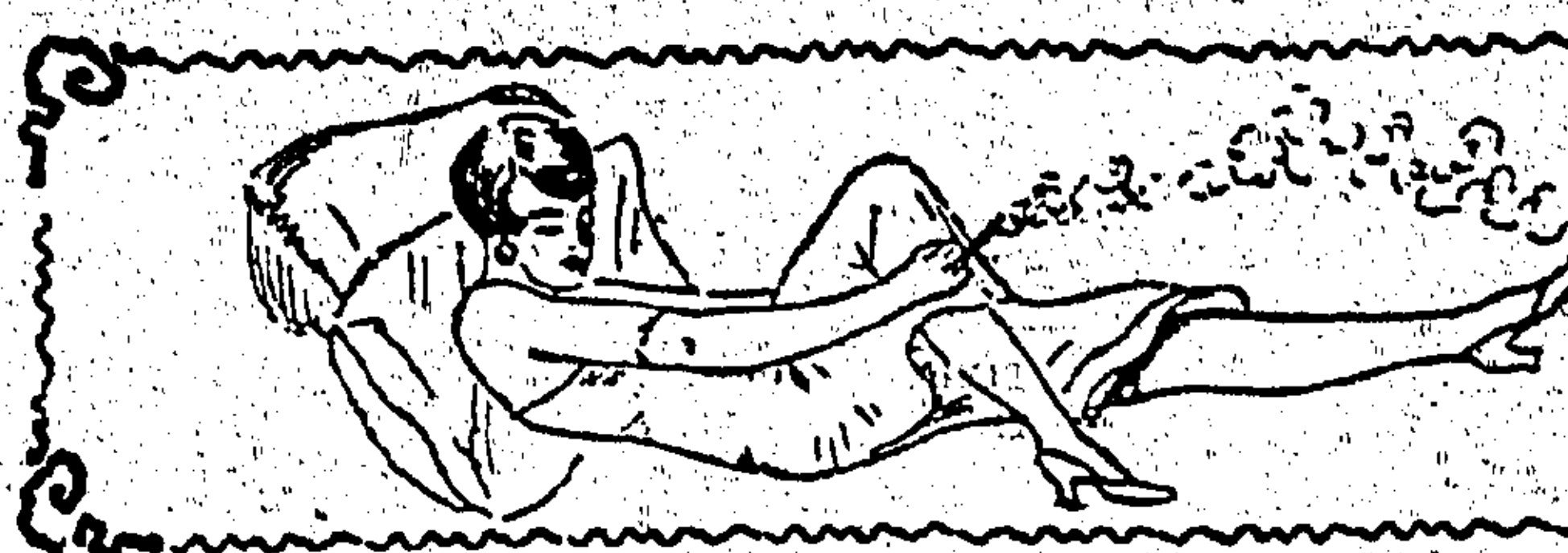
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The WOMAN'S PAGE

THE GREEN BAY TREE.

BLACKWOOD, PORCELAIN AND JADE.

The Oriental Department of LANE, CRAWFORD'S is flourishing like the proverbial bay tree. From a comparatively humble beginning some weeks ago with a few choice pieces of old Cantonese Blackwood, it has grown until it threatens to drive out entirely the European style furnishings from the department which houses both collections.

Silks, the wonderful embroidery of China, scraps of the finery of her past monarchical glories, followed Blackwood, and this week has seen the intrusion of porcelain. I saw there some really lovely sets of dessert plates for the extraordinary prices of \$7 and \$10 the dozen; vases, large and small; ginger jars, in the familiar and ever delightful blue and white; bowls and statuettes. None of these are worth-while; some I suspect worth considerably more than is being asked for them; and all of them decorative and desirable.

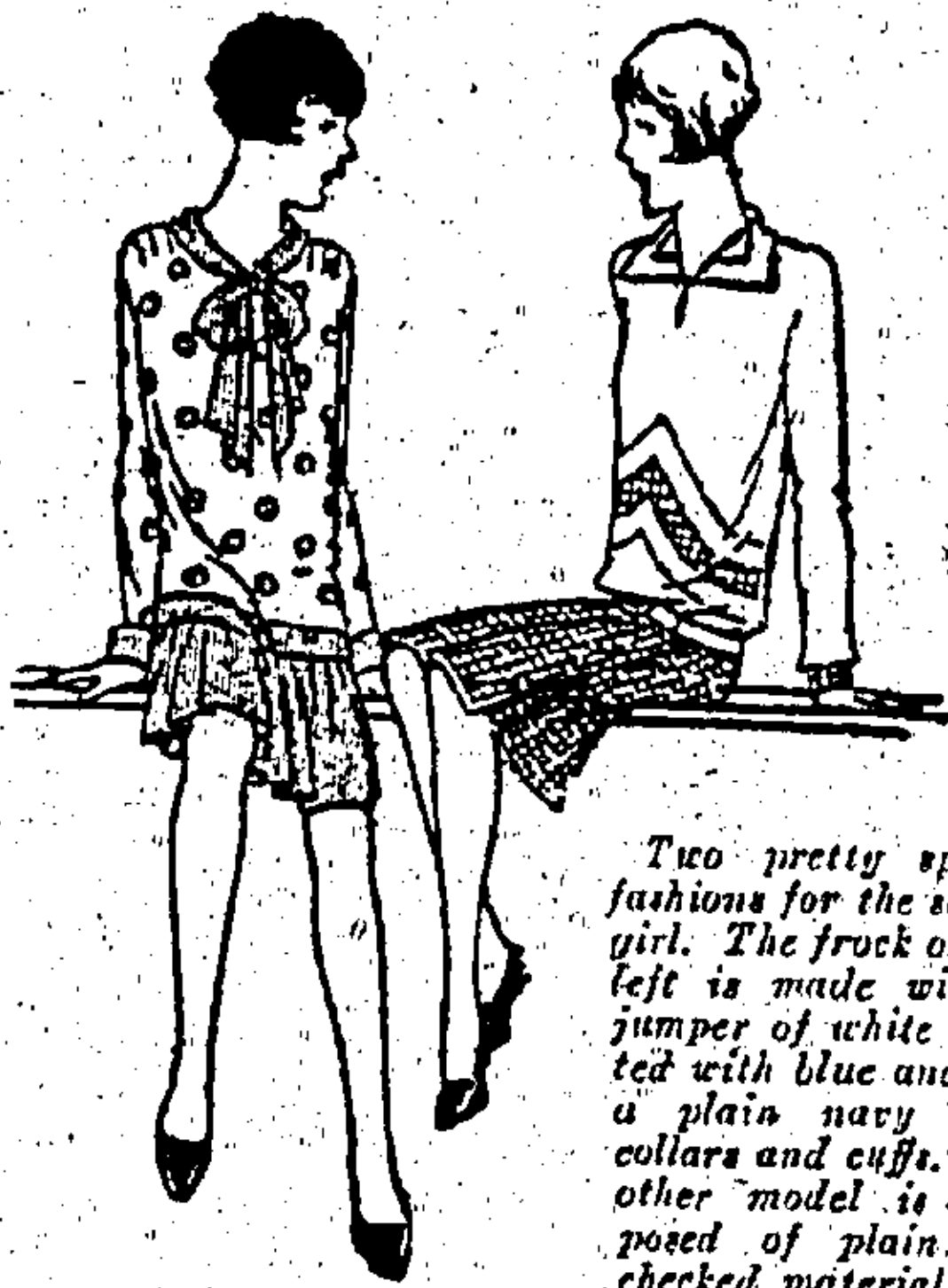
INEXPENSIVE SUMMER FROCKS.

SOME "SARRAULT" CREATIONS.

Madame Sarrault has a delightful array of summer dresses, of silk, voile, and organdie, all at very reasonable prices.

One of the most attractive is a Sarrault creation of pastel blue *crêpe de chine*, an afternoon frock trimmed with pin tucks and looped piping. I liked very much too a model of shell pink georgette with a circular skirt and deep tucks on the bodice, both of them were, I believe, under \$40.

An apricot georgette frock is trimmed with *broderie corneille*, that very charming new decoration of silk and *lêlé* ribbon. White *crepon* embroidered with a stiff little flower design in green and orange makes a pretty cool-looking frock, cut with circular skirt and a *chic* caped bodice. The narrow green ribbons at neck and waist add to the smart appearance. There are many other pleasing little garments and a certain num-



Two pretty spring fashions for the school girl. The frock on the left is made with a jumper of white spotted with blue and has a plain navy skirt collar and cuffs. The other model is composed of plain and checked material with a leather belt, and would be pretty in any colour.

As for the Blackwood, it goes out as fast as it comes in. There are indeed one or two astute persons who pay a daily visit and seldom leave without some treasure to add to their collections. For though the Chinese families who have cared for this furniture over many years, polishing it until it has a surface like satin, are now eager to sell it in order to refurnish with European goods, there is little doubt but that in a few years time the demand for blackwood will grow again. Antiques always have a value though that value may fluctuate with the fashions of the period, and it is very doubtful if the extremely low prices now being asked in Lane, Crawford's will be able to continue for long. As the supply diminishes prices must go up, and the supply of antiques is not inexhaustible.

The latest venture is Jade. But the jade quite properly finds its home among the choicest silver ware. Happily for us, however, it is as comparatively inexpensive as the other oriental goods. Necklaces of beautiful colour and graduation can be got from \$16 to \$40, though naturally more is asked for those

ber of new summer hats which are very smart. Owing to her impending visit to Paris, Madame Sarrault is keeping her stock lower than usual just now, but there are plenty of pretty things to choose from all the same.

of the best coloured jade. One I saw of a deep green tone with a very beautiful fire was \$750. Small pendants, some square, some oval, and delicately carved, run from \$1.50 a pair. Some of these can be made up as buckles which form a very important accessory to frocks today. Another fashionable trinket can be made up of the small pendants which Parisiennes are now wearing set with alternate plaques of gold to make close fitting bracelets.

But whether it be as buckles, necklaces, bracelets or rings, the smart woman to-day considers her wardrobe incomplete without some jade jewellery. The wholesale merchants say that they cannot ship supplies quickly enough to satisfy the demands in Europe and America.

FOR THE EVENING.

NEW MATERIALS FROM THE "PIONEER."

The Pioneer Silk Store are going to help us make our evenings lovely. Their new consignment includes cobwebby silk stockings, small printed shawls of *crêpe de chine*, and delightful materials for evening wear.

Of these latter the most attractive and the newest is the dress length material of embroidered *crêpe de chine*. It can be had in 20 different shades, and a large number of patterns. A description of one will perhaps be enough to give you some idea what to expect. The *crêpe* of a very nice shell pink has a deep border of leaves and flowers in *broderie anglaise* stitched with blue and grey; not all the pattern is cut out, however, it continues as a delicate tracery of outline stitch to a generous height. I saw much the same thing in white stitched with blue and grey.

Silver and gold lace in dress lengths and wide scalloped lace are also to be found among the newly arrived materials, and I saw, too, some charming tinsel stuff, plain gold or silver and a wide range of silver and colour. There was one handsome brocaded roll of light blue and silver, and all these metallic materials are woven with a very soft and pliable texture which makes them drape well.

Among the new washing silks is one with a sort of check effect of short damask threads, this is made in 15 different shades and would be excellent for jumper suits or men's shirts. More than 100 shades of fugi and 80 shades of tobirako silk have also come.

The new stockings are delightful, with pointed spliced heel pieces, silk tops, and woven on the 909 gage. The Pagoda make are \$3.50 a pair Kayser's \$4.50.

BY THE SEA SHORE.

BATHING SUITS ARE GAY AND CHIC.

After the rain, the sunshine; after mackintoshes, swimming suits—trade never stays still and while there is money to spend women will find a good excuse to spend it!

And after all the purchase of new swimming kit is an excellent excuse, for many of us here spend a large part of our time so attired during the warm months, and there is no need to dilate on the wisdom from the point of view of health of so doing.

LANE, CRAWFORD'S have the most attractive new bathing dresses in all manner of colours and styles. The latest is the skirlless suit fitted with a brassiere inside. Though skirlless, these new models are so cut and trimmed, that they have exactly the same effect as a two piece combination, and are the most comfortable wear possible for swimming. They are made in a thick mercerised cotton material which clings less tightly than wool or jersey and does away with the almost inevitable scratches of the former. Besides this they do not hold the damp, thus risking a chill if you sit about on the beach after a dip.

I thought a rather severe looking model with a dull orange top and black trunks, joined by a workman-like belt, very attractive. Another shape which I saw in black and in apricot, has the trunks disguised by a series of short frills each bound with a contrasting colour. Very *chic* is another skirlless model, the yellow top having a plaid pattern of black braid with black knickers. Among the woollen suits perhaps the most attractive is a two piece consisting of regulations of sage blue, and a pair of scarlet running shorts built just like a boy's whites, are secured with a white belt. Caps can be had to match any suit whether woollen or of the new mercerised cotton material.



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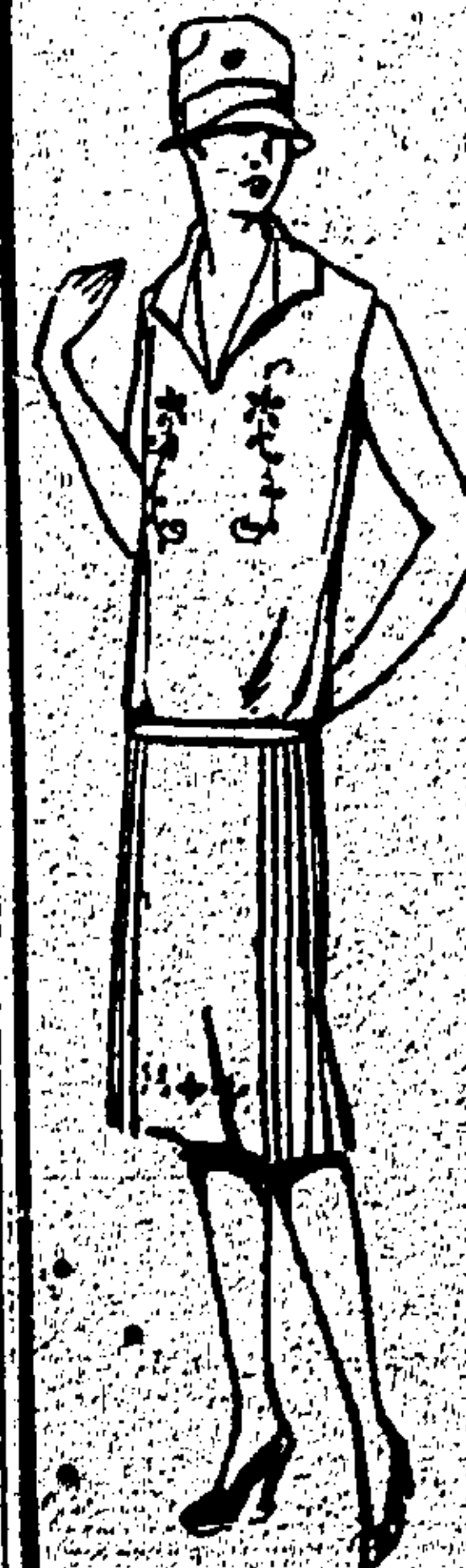
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PARTIES AND PAMELA.

GARDEN PARTY WEAR IS PRETTY AND FEMININE.

The Garden Party season is now opening and we have to take thought what to wear. The latest information from Paris indicates that the models produced by the big houses are on decidedly feminine and very lovely lines. Hats with big drooping lines, trimmed either with a bunch of flowers loosely laid on one side of the brim, a loosely tied ribbon of velvet or a narrow band of *grain*, accompany frocks of chiffon, organdie or georgette, with fluttering panels and streamers, in pastel shades. Sunshades, curiously enough, are very small and Victorian in shape, and cannot be intended for use with the larger hats, except perhaps in a purely ornamental way carried unopened, when they really appear more like large bags. But the day of the small hat is by no means over, and most of them are similar in shape and trimming to the larger models.

Among Pamela's hats are a large white tulle straw bound with scarlet and navy *grain*, and a lovely model of corn lace which has a bunch of palest green velvet nasturtiums on the brim and a very narrow green ribbon. A somewhat similar hat in black lace is trimmed with a loose bunch of pastel shade primulas. Beige silk straw is used for a smaller hat which has a brown velvet ribbon tied in a bow on either side. A very pretty new straw is pearl beige in colour and is woven with a line of gold thread.

Of the frocks I chose out a white chiffon model printed with a coral coloured pattern of palm leaves. It is the new *directoire* cut but has a double flange of tiny *godels*, and a long floating scarf from each shoulder which is tied loosely at the back. A similar scarf is used on a model of navy chiffon printed with large red and amber roses. The skirt in this case is covered with small "handkerchief" panels. One of the loveliest dresses I have seen this season is made of pale pastel blue chiffon, printed in a deeper tone blue, and plain. The plain material is used for the shoulder yoke which is cut in one with a large bow which ties just to the left of the centre neck; and diamond shaped insertions put in round the low hip line, and the under slip. From these insertions depend the same shaped panels of the printed material which also make the bodice of the dress. The effect is gracious, with a slight (Continued on next Column).

CRAFTSMANSHIP IN MILLINERY.

Many of the new hats, though simple to a degree in outline, are marvels of craftsmanship. Different coloured felts are worked into each other in the most intricate patterns without breaking up the perfectly flat outline by a hair's breadth.

It may be noted that several of the leading milliners are still covering one ear, and that the eye-veil (now called the "tea-veil") with a large chenille spot, launched so successfully three months ago, is retained.



Two New Hats.



Both the models shown in the sketch are examples of the new millinery. The one at the top shows black and white antelope felt worked together in a striking way. The other exploits the new colour alliance of navy blue and wine red.

movement which would make it very becoming to a stately beauty. Of course, I need hardly add that to complete your garden party toilette you can get the finest French silk stockings and Pinet shoes at the same shop.

CABBAGES AND KINGS.

SEEN IN LOCAL SHOPS.

In Pohooum's I saw some very attractive material for evening wear. It is made in dress length width of coloured and tinsel lace. *Pervenche* blue lace with the wide border worked with silver threads is very lovely, rose and silver lace is woven in stripes, and there are good designs in black and silver, black and gold, etc.

The same shop has received a big shipment of striped spun silks mostly in two colour effects, as green and beige, blue and orange, etc., and new broadened white silk. *Fadeless Poplin*.

In Whiteaway, Laidlaw's *Fadeless Poplin*, 30 inches wide, in seven different colours, and at \$2.90 a yard, is the latest material for hangings or chair covers. This is a very reliable material and the dyes are particularly good. I hear that next week a big consignment of cretonnes is expected.

For The Dressing Table.

There is no end to the attractive things designed for my lady's toilet table. Here are the three latest from Lane, Crawford's. Tiny silver boxes for the *saes à main* filled with solid perfume, which is applied with the finger tip behind the ears. New compact powder boxes, with a specially designed sifter to take your own powder, and a little chain with a finger ring to carry them by. Caron bath perfume put up in bottles like small magnum of champagne. The effect of the perfume in your bath is just as exhilarating as a glass or two of "bubbly."

Enamel Ware.

A lot of nice English enamel ware has arrived in Whiteaway's. Basins, jugs, mugs, plates and bedroom ware, all strongly made of steel covered with the best enamel.

Parchment Lampshades.

The Sign of the Lantern are showing this week some pretty "Home-side" parchment lampshades and candle-shades painted with flowers, fruit, birds or ships. Some of the larger ones are joined together at the angles with thonging of corded silk which will prevent discoloration in the mist of the Peak district.

Reptile Skin.

Reptile skin continues to be fashionable for every sort of accessory. In Lane, Crawford's I found bells, cigarette cases, blotter, pocket books and bags, all made of lizard skins from Sumatra. They are very pretty in colouring and of nice soft skins which will not flake in use.

Net And Voile Frocks.

I saw in Powell's this week some very pretty voile frocks and a wonderful range of voiles for the yard. The new patterns are very pretty, mostly graded spots or small floral designs. I saw there too some attractive net dresses, one with a white satin bodice and skirt of white tulle frills would be exquisite for a bride or garden party. They also have three or four very chic three piece suits of plain and checked silk with sleeveless cardigans.

CHILD RIDERS.

GIRLS AT ISLINGTON PONY SHOW.

At the National Pony Show, in the Royal Agricultural Hall, Islington, women exhibitors and boy and girl riders were features of the display. Smart Arabes, handy little polo ponies, diminutive Shetlands, and riding ponies and jumpers kept the arena full of life.

Prince and Princess Arthur of Connaught visited the show and stayed an hour, the Princess entering the ring to present two of the cups.

Mr. Herbert Bright, of Carnforth, Lancashire, won the Howard Taylor challenge cup for the best entire colt with his Silverdale Tintamar, and also the challenge trophy for the best polo-hoed stallion or colt with his Silverdale Loyalty.

One of the most popular items was the children's riding class, in which 50 boys and girls of 13 years old or less took part.

More than half the riders were girls, and all sat astride and gave a first-rate show of horsemanship. The best of the ponies was a beautiful grey named Magic Moon, belonging to the Cheltenham Riding School. Lord Daresbury adjudged the children's riding, giving the boy's cup to Richard Davis, and the girl's to Miss B. Jackson.

The challenge cup for the best Arab stallion was won by Mrs. H. V. M. Clark's (Hford, Leves) 3-year-old bay stallion Raoud.

"KICK IN."

AMERICAN DETECTIVES' METHODS.

WILBURS PLAYERS' PRESENTATION.

That American detectives use more bluff than deduction was evinced from the play "Handcuffed," as presented by the Wilbur Players last night at the Star Theatre.

"You ain't goin' to bluff me and no more of your grandstand talk, and now out with the straight goods altho' I ain't got a case against you," is the method used by the American sleuths in bringing a charge against a supposed criminal. The play reminded one forcibly of the cops around the corner of the "Bowery" in New York City, when one, standing under a street lamp, would be told to play "Checkers" (draughts) and move on.

The Acting.

The play is a little too "stagey" for complete satisfaction, but taking historic abilities into consideration credit must be given to Mr. Anthony Baker, who played the role of "Whip Fergarty," a detective out to get his inspector's badge.

Chick Howes and his wife Molly (Mr. Earle Hodgins and Miss Florence Underhill, respectively) were the outstanding characters in the play. Mr. Edgar Cartwright who took the role of Deputy Commissioner Garvey played his part faultlessly.

Plot is rather lacking in this play, which borders rather more on melodrama than comedy.

HOLIDAY ARRANGEMENTS.

There will be no performance by the Wilbur Players in the Star Theatre to-night, but the season will be resumed to-morrow night with the amusing farce, "Her Wedding Night," which has no bedroom scene, although the time is two o'clock in the morning.

On Sunday the famous farce "Charley's Aunt," with special songs, dances and music, will be presented at 5.30 and 9.15 p.m., children being admitted at half price to the matinee.

On Monday at 5.30 there will be a matinee performance of "Three Live Ghosts," the comedy with a London background, and at 9.15 p.m. the season will be brought to a close with a farewell performance of "The Family Upstairs," the comedy of domestic life, which is being repeated by popular demand.

HIGHWAY ROBBERY.

VICTIM CATCHES ALLEGED ASSAILANT.

A Chinese appeared before Mr. W. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistrate's yesterday afternoon on the charge of being accessory to a highway robbery which took place on the 24th March in Canton Road, Kowloon.

Inspector Fallon appeared for the prosecution.

A Chinese living at No. 507, Canton Road, stated that on the 24th March at about 7.30 p.m. he was returning from a money changer and when passing No. 517, Canton Road, he was assaulted by three men, one of whom made a grab at the wallet in his coat-pocket and made off. The wallet contained \$229 in notes. The two men then released him and ran off in separate directions. The complainant chased the defendant who was the man who had attacked him and Austin Road, and soon overtook him and arrested him. The other two men were not caught.

The case was adjourned till Monday.

PRINTERS VERSUS "HONG KONG OBSERVER."

CLAIMS SETTLED.

The adjourned hearing of the claims against the Hong Kong Observer Publishing Co. were again mentioned at the Summary Court yesterday morning before the Puisne Judge (Mr. Justice J. H. Wood).

His Honour informed Mr. A. el Arculli, who appeared for the Asiatic Printing Press in respect of a claim for \$223, that judgment had been consented to by the defendants.

His Lordship further told Mr. Arculli that \$50 had been paid on account. Mr. Arculli replied that his instructions were not to accept settlements. His Lordship replied that the money was paid on account and was not in the form of an instalment.

Mr. W. D. Owen appeared for the Local Printing Co. who sued the defendants for \$217.40. He told the Court that the claim had been settled.

WAR REPUTATIONS.

GALLIENI AND HIS BUTTON BOOTS.

JOFFRE THE ENIGMA.

An excellent book on the great generals of the Great War has been written by Capt. B. H. Liddell Hart under the title of "Reputations."

It is not very tender to certain of the reputations which Capt. Liddell Hart discusses, but it is essentially just, and it contains a vast amount of information, carefully digested and critically treated. The author holds strongly that the real credit for the victory in the first battle of the Marne rests with the French Marshal Gallieni, not with Marshal Joffre, and the evidence, especially that of the French official history of the war, on the whole supports his view.

When Gallieni rushed to French headquarters on September 3rd, 1914,

Gallieni, on his side, found the British staff unsettled and depressed.

They on their side were hardly in the mood to discern the underlying qualities of this most unimpressive-looking military genius, bespectacled and untidy, with shaggy moustache, black buttoned boots, and yellow leggings. Little wonder, perhaps that one eminent soldier with a pungent gift of humour remarked that "no British officer would be seen speaking to such a comedian."

The "Comedian" was none the less a great soldier, and it is impossible not to regret the fact that he was imperfectly seconded by Joffre in the battle.

A Great Gentleman.

Perhaps Capt. Liddell Hart is a little too hard on this latter soldier.

His passivity, like his silence, was carried to such a pitch that he was one of the greatest of human enigmas. Reluctant to believe that a man in to great a position could be as simple as he appeared, that his superhuman calm could come from insensibility, his silence from ignorance, even the Allied leaders who met him at close quarters felt that there must be un plumbed depths in the apparent shallows.

Joffre was not a general but a national nerve sedative.

Lord Haig.

The estimate of Lord Haig is an extremely fair one.

His mind was dominated by the instinct of method, a valuable asset; where he failed was in the instinct of surprise in its widest sense—originality of conception, fertility of resource, receptivity to ideas. But as a great gentleman, also in the widest sense and as a pattern of noble character, Haig will stand out in the roll of history, *chevalier sans peur et sans reproche*.

In the study of Foch we are reminded of his saying in 1910 with regard to the Circuit de l'Est—"that is good sport, but for the army the aeroplane is naught"—as an example that even the greatest minds often have limitations.

REAL ISLES OF UNREST.

TONGA REEFS THAT COME AND GO.

WILLINGTON, N.Z.—It is quite possible that Faleon Island has been confused with Hongatonga, another island about ten miles away," said the veteran master mariner, Captain W. Ross, referring to the report that Faleon Island, in the Tongan Group, had been again in unruly mood. The veteran master mariner has sailed the Pacific for nearly half a century, and cruised through the Tongan Group half a dozen times a year.

Captain Ross remarked that the Tongan Group is on a well-known fault line which extends directly from White Island in the Bay of Plenty, through the Pacific to Hawaii, and that a tremendous upheaval occurred at Faleon Island the same year as the outbreak at Tarawera in the Rotorua district. He said that before 1888 Faleon Island was merely a reef, but practically in a day it thrust itself 700 feet up in the air. From that time Faleon Island began to wash away until 1899, when it had reverted to a reef.

18,000ft. Sea Depth.

Captain Ross said that in the old days the natives had a superstitious dread of the locality, and would implore masters of vessels to keep a long way off the reef. In the vicinity the sea had a depth of 18,000 feet.

Rough the Tongan Group rocks and reefs have a tricky habit of bobbing up occasionally, and much patient search may be necessary before the existence or non-existence of an obstruction can be ascertained.

Forty years ago the British Admiralty had a very extensive survey of the group made. The officers of the warship on the job were hopeful of completing their task in a single commission. Captain Ross, who was invited to express an opinion at the time, considered that at least seven years would be necessary for the job, and finally fourteen years were occupied in the work.

DEVELOPMENT OF RIVER MURRAY.

A REDUCED PROGRAMME.

AUSTRALIAN GOVERNMENT'S PLANS.

CANNBERRA.

The Conference which has been reviewing the policy of the development of the River Murray has decided to limit the construction programme to the next five years, and to reduce the estimated expenditure on water conservation by nearly £7,000,000. The Conference also reached agreements designed to co-ordinate development and to prevent expensive production in the areas to be irrigated, and to protect the watershed from erosion and the destruction of forests by fire.

It was decided to recommend the abandonment of the construction of 22 locks intended to facilitate the navigation of the Murray and of eight locks on the Murrumbidgee, and to recommend the completion of the Hume reservoir to two million acre-foot capacity, of the storage works at Lake Victoria, and of all the weirs and locks up to Mildura, and also weir and lock at Euston. Other works will be suspended owing to the difficulty of obtaining loan money.

The sub-committee which considered the construction policy favoured the view that the construction of a port at the mouth of the Murray and a barrage in the lower river should be referred by South Australia under the Migration Development Commission. In view of the development of transport facilities by rail and road and the improvement of the river for navigation action is considered unnecessary.

The new programme is estimated to cost £23,500,000, in addition to the £5,000,000 already spent, compared with the previous estimated expenditure of £34,000,000. The Victorian and New South Wales delegates undertook to urge on their Governments the prevention of erosion within the watershed, and a vigorous policy of afforestation by planting soft woods where necessary under the Migration Agreement.

It was decided to form a permanent advisory committee for irrigation, development, and production, consisting of two representatives each of the Commonwealth, New South Wales, Victoria, and South Australia, to collect information in regard to the production of (Continued on next Column).

M.P. HURT.

STRUGGLE WITH COMMUNISTS.

COMDR. LOCKER-LAMPSON'S "STRAIGHT RIGHT."

Commander Oliver Locker-Lampson, Conservative, M.P. for the Handsworth division of Birmingham, who was largely responsible for the campaign which resulted in the expulsion of the Bolshevik emissaries from this country, was injured in a struggle with Communists at a meeting at the Palais de Danse, Arcelano, Brixton, S.W.

The meeting had been organised by the National Citizens' Union in connection with the London County Council elections, and soon after Commander Locker-Lampson began his speech he was interrupted by rowdies.

Two men were asked by the stewards to leave the hall. They refused and a free fight ensued. Commander Locker-Lampson hurried from the platform into the mêlée, and after a struggle the hecklers were ejected. One was handed over to a policeman and taken into custody.

In the struggle Commander Locker-Lampson broke a finger of his right hand, but returned to the platform and continued his speech.

Commander Locker-Lampson told a reporter afterwards that one of the stewards was an old friend who served with him in Russia. He added:

There was an open space in the hall, where there was room for a really furious stand-up fight. When I saw my supporters getting the worst of it I went down to lend a hand. I had only just arrived on the scene, and I received a blow on the head from behind, and turning round landed my assailant a straight right. My wrist was jolted, and when the police came the leader was arrested.

When order had been restored I continued my speech, punctuating my remarks with left hand. Afterwards I went to King's College Hospital and found that the third finger of my hand was broken and the wrist sprained. I am, however, going on all right.

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WASHINGTON.

The Merchant Marine Committee of the House of Representatives recently heard an appeal of the Transoceanic Corporation of the United States—with which are linked the American Brown-Borer Electric Corporation and the New York Shipbuilding Company of Camden, New Jersey—for Government aid in the establishment of a fleet of six 35,000-ton Transatlantic passenger and mail steamers crossing in four days from dock to dock and designed as aeroplane carriers. It was in the form of a long prepared statement from Mr. Laurence Wilder, and much of it, as one member of the Committee remarked, "was based on hope and expectancy."

Mr. Wilder began with a historical reference to the American Merchant Marine and the reminder, "We built the first steamship and some of the best steamships, but we left the high seas to build our country. We have now completed that job, and we turn our faces seaward once more." He told how "our supercilious foreign competitors, failing as usual, to recognize the fundamental laws of transportation, have built in the last years nearly 8,000,000 tons of new ships, every one of which is slower than the *Mauretania*. But he later remarked:—

I feel sorry for European nations with their 8,000,000 tons of new vessels, all slower than the magnificent hoary old *Mauretania*, which must shortly retire to Davy Jones's locker. America understands the handling of mass, either in the industrial form or in transportation. That is what we propose to do on the North Atlantic, where the densest and most important traffic exists.

Accordingly, the six projected vessels, which would cost \$40,000,000 [28,000,000] apiece if built individually, but can be launched for \$21,000,000 [24,900,000] each for the half-dozen, will be "more than 900 ft. long and 90 ft. beam, with a displacement of at least 35,000 tons, with accommodation for 500 passengers in greater comfort than exists on any transatlantic liner of any nationality to-day, and with ample space for mail and 1,000 tons express cargo," and will "maintain sailings three times a week from each side of the Atlantic." It appeared that "across the North Atlantic flows a stream of about 300,000 first-class and cabin passengers, nearly three-fourths of whom are American citizens"; and a rapid calculation made by a Committee-man showed that the new fleet could carry all of them.

An Aid To The Navy.
A point of much importance, Mr. Wilder thought, was that the vessels would be aeroplane carriers, but that "the Disarmament Conference of 1922 does not affect them," and that "no foreign Navy in the world owns or is building anything like them." He promised that they would "maintain 33 knots for 7,000 sea miles without refueling," and that though their normal complement would be 94 aeroplanes in commercial use, "in a national emergency they can quickly be changed to carry almost a hundred aeroplanes each, ready to fly." What was more, "to-day we are unable to protect our Pacific possessions or to aid an ally in Far Eastern waters because we have no naval stations west of Hawaii. Ships that can sail round the world at 35 knots without refueling do not need naval bases. No merchantments perfectly meet the requirements both of the Merchant Marine and the Navy."

The Corporation is seeking what Mr. Wilder thought was very little from the United States Government. The United States is asked for a construction loan of \$24,500,000 [218,900,000], or three-fourths of the cost of the fleet, protected by a lien on the vessels and retributed by a sinking fund in 30 years; revision of the Mail Carrying Act to establish rates of compensation with the new speed and frequency of the service; and to authorize 30-year contracts; enrollment of the vessels, or part of them, in the Naval Reserve; and, because approved insurance, either in the United States or abroad, is limited on any single ship to \$9,000,000 [21,800,000], protection in case of total loss in the form of cancellation of the loan against the vessel lost to the extent not covered by amortization and insurance.

All this is substantially covered by the measure drawn up by Mr. White, Chairman of the Merchant Marine Committee, the passage of which the Transoceanic Corporation strongly urges. Other witnesses are to be heard in support of the four-day service which Mr. Wilder has described, with a general understanding that they will, by extension, be supporting the White Bill.—Times.

CAPTAIN'S RESPONSIBILITY?

TOBACCO ABOARD SHIP.

IMPORTANT DECISION.

The Chief Stewart of the s.s. *Tung On* appeared before Mr. R. E. Lindsell at the Central Magistracy on the charge of being in possession of dutiable cigarettes, which were found on board by a Revenue Officer. His Worship, at the commencement of the hearing, said that he held the master of the ship responsible for the control of the cigarettes whilst the vessel was alongside the wharf, and that the responsibility could not be delegated to another person.

Mr. J. A. Gordon Leask defending, pointed out to the Magistrate that that being the case, the Captain and not his client, was the proper person who should have received the charge.

His Worship agreed, but said that the Superintendent of the Imports and Exports Office desired the charge to be preferred against the steward.

Mr. Leask then told the Magistrate that this case has aroused considerable interest amongst the masters of the river steamers who would like a ruling from his Worship. Mr. Leask also said that a number of masters with considerable experience had written to say that the usual practice was to give the key to the steward or some other person. However, his Worship said he could not hear an *ex-parte* statement from Mr. Leask. The Magistrate added that he merely held that the defendant was in possession of the cigarettes which should have been in the possession of the master.

Technical Offence.
His Worship in imposing a fine of \$5, said that the evidence offered by the prosecution only pointed to a technical offence and that there was no evidence of disposing of the cigarettes or of smuggling.

An application was made by Mr. Leask for the cigarettes, but the Magistrate replied that no order for confiscation had been made.

THE THEOSOPHICAL SOCIETY.

REINCARNATION THEORIES.

At this week's public meeting of the Hong Kong Lodge of the Theosophical Society Mr. John Russell gave an address on "Reincarnation." He said in brief. What one calls death, is merely the switching of the life current from the physical plane of existence to the wholly superphysical plane, the astro-mental state, but it is in no way the destruction of the life current itself. When death comes to our loved ones, we should realize the more advantageous conditions of existence they then dwell in, and not give way to sorrow and depression, for the dead, being free from the gross physical matter, are more alive than ever. The so-called dead are all the while near us still, and every night when we leave the physical body, temporarily in sleep we freely join company with those passed over and enjoy their presence with us till the morning hour when our consciousness re-enters the physical brain, and is unable to recollect the experience of it.

Man, leaving the flesh body, continues to live in a body of finer matter made up of his feelings, desires and thoughts, contemplating, thinking over and drawing conclusions from all the experiences he had whilst acting through the physical body on earth. In this way he works out his character and tendencies and capacities, and re-adjusts himself for the near descent to earth by living for a brief while on the higher planes where he knows himself in his true nature as the divine life in all things. Having transmuted all his experiences into character and powers, the desire for more experience on earth causes him to retransmute life in a physical body on earth, and he is born in a new baby-body. The belief in Reincarnation has of late years created a considerable amount of interest, and in spite of bitter attacks made upon this fundamental fact in nature, it has at all times been accepted as true by the majority of the world's population. This liberating and happy teaching is gaining ground amongst the thinking masses in the West, whilst it has always been accepted as true in the East.

CHURCH NOTICES.

UNION CHURCH (KENNEDY ROAD).

Good Friday, April 6th:—
Service at 10.30 a.m.
Hymns—153, 7, 207 and 312.
Preacher—Rev. J. Kirk Macdonald.
Subject—Christ's Innocence.
SUNDAY, April 8th.
Morning Service at 10.30 a.m.—General Service and K.O.S.B. Parade.
Hymns—214, 224, 308 and 632.
Preacher—Rev. F. P. W. Alexander, C.F.
Evening at 8.45 p.m.—Special Musical Service led by Band of K.O.S.B. by kind permission of Lt.-Col. L. G. Comyn, D.S.O., C.M.G., and Officers.
Hymns—254, 215, 223 and 663.
Soloist—Mr. H. Glover.
Preacher—Rev. J. Kirk Macdonald.
Organ—Mr. G. B. Lodge.
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HONG KONG METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

Hong Kong Observatory, April 5th.

	Previous Day at 2 p.m.	On Date at 6 a.m.	On Date at 1 p.m.
Barometer...	30.09	30.12	30.10
Temperature...	53	62	67
Humidity...	74	74	70
Wind...			
Direction...	East	E	East
Force...	2	3	2
Weather...	0	0	3
Rain...	0.00	0.00	0.00
Lightest open-air Temperature, 4th: 64			
Lowest open-air Temperature, 5th: 61			

B=Blue sky; C=Cloudy; D=Drizzle; F=Fog; L=Lightning; M=Mist; O=Overcast; P=Passing showers; Q=Squalls; R=Rain; T=Thunder.

HONG KONG TIDE TABLE.

From April 6th to 12th, 1928.

Day of Week	Date	High Water		Low Water	
		Hong Kong Standard Time	Height	Hong Kong Standard Time	Height
Fr.	6	h. m.	h. m.	h. m.	h. m.
		10 45	5 7	4 25	2 0
Sat.	7	10 23	6 0	4 33	2 4
		11 14	5 3	5 2	1 9
Sun.	8	10 49	6 2	4 58	2 8
		11 40	4 9	5 41	2 0
Mon.	9	11 3	6 8	5 25	2 1
		12 18	5 25	5 25	3 5
Tues.	10	11 31	4 4	6 24	2 3
		12 18	4 4	7 24	2 3
Wed.	11	12 48	4 0	8 25	2 7
		1 14	4 0	8 25	2 7
Thur.	12	Noon	high or low	10 6	2 2
		0 42	6 3	10 6	2 2

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General Agents: Hong Kong, 6th Apr., 1928. [6107]

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S.S. "PREUSSEN" ... sailing from here on or about the 22nd May
S.S. "ERMLAND" ... sailing from here on or about the 5th June
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Optional Cargo will be landed, unless Notice has been given prior to Steamer's arrival.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after 12th April, 1928, will be subject to Rent.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined by Messrs. Godard & Douglas.

All Claims must reach us before 25th April, 1928, or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by the Underinsured.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Underinsured.

JEBSEN & CO. Agents: Hong Kong, 5th Apr., 1928. [6110]

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All Goods remaining undelivered after the 10th of April, 1928, will be subject to Rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by the Underinsured.

Damaged Packages must be left in the Godown for examination by the Consignees and the Company's Surveyors, Messrs. Anderson & Ashe, at 10 a.m., on the 5th of April, 1928.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godown and all Claims must be presented within Two Weeks of the Ship's arrival here, after which date they will not be recognized.

Consignees are requested to surrender their Bills of Lading to the Underinsured for Counter-signature.

MELCHERS & CO. Agents: NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN. Hong Kong, 3rd Apr., 1928. [6095]

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No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 13th April, 1928, will be subject to Rent.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godown, where they will be examined by Messrs. Anderson & Ashe on the 11th April, 1928, at 10 a.m.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Underinsured on or before the 23rd instant, or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godown, where they will be examined on the 7th instant, at 10 a.m., by Messrs. Godard & Douglas.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

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Agents: Hong Kong, 2nd Apr., 1928. [6090]

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WUHAN, CHONGKING, ...	"HUICHOW" ...	On 6th Apr.	4 p.m.
SHANGHAI & TIENTSIN ...	"SINKIANG" ...	On 7th Apr.	6 a.m.
SWATOW, SHANGHAI, NEW ...	"LIANGHOU" ...	On 8th Apr.	Noon
CHONGKING & SINGAPORE ...	"KIANGSU" ...	On 8th Apr.	Noon
AMOI, SHANGHAI & TIENTSIN ...	"SZCHUEN" ...	On 9th Apr.	6 p.m.
AMOI, SWATOW, SINGAPORE ...	"KWEIYANG" ...	On 10th Apr.	8 a.m.
SHANGHAI ...	"HANYANG" ...	On 11th Apr.	8 a.m.
SWATOW & SHANGHAI ...	"TAIYING" ...	On 12th Apr.	8 a.m.
HONGKONG, PAKHOI & HAIKONG ...	"SUNNING" ...	On 14th Apr.	6 a.m.
SHANGHAI & TIENTSIN ...	"KUEICHO" ...	On 15th Apr.	6 a.m.
WUHAN, CHONGKING, ...	"ANHUI" ...	On 15th Apr.	9 a.m.
AMOI, SWATOW & SINGAPORE ...	"NEW HWANG" ...	On 15th Apr.	10 a.m.
SWATOW & SHANGHAI ...	"KAYING" ...	On 15th Apr.	Noon
SHANGHAI ...	"OHINKANG" ...	On 15th Apr.	6 a.m.
NEWCHANG & DALNY ...	"GUOHOW" ...	On 15th Apr.	4 p.m.
SWATOW & SHANGHAI ...	"CHENAN" ...	On 15th Apr.	10 a.m.
AMOI, SWATOW & SINGAPORE ...	"ANKING" ...	On 15th Apr.	9 a.m.
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G. METZINGER ... 22nd May	G. METZINGER ... 22nd May

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	CHENONOEUX ... 8th May
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Shipping News Arrivals and Departures, etc.

ARRIVALS.	CLEARANCES.	PASSENGERS.
April 6th.	April 6th.	Arrivals.
Ichang, British str., 1,225 tons, Capt. P. J. Green, from Canton, lying at buoy No. B9—B. & S.	Cart Legien, for Shanghai.	Per a.s. Hokuyo Maru, from Valparaiso and ports, on April 5th: Mr. Francisco Luis Tay, Mrs. Rosa de Tay, Master Luis Tay, Miss Rosa Elena Tay, Master Francisco L. Tay, Mr. Yuen Wong, Miss Zoila E. Ponce, Mrs. America Regina Ponce, Miss Irene Ponce Machado, Mrs. Bivian Benevento, Mr. Julio Alfredo Wong, Mr. Ricardo Chang, Mrs. Linea Under Crang, Master Lee Hong Chang, Miss Fee Lee Chang, Mr. Isaac Koom, Mr. Chan Riu Lan, Mr. Choo Pan Sen, Mr. Leon Puy Yin, Mr. Chang Tin Yaw, Mr. Lo Kwong, Mr. Hu Pow Ching, Mr. Chan Ku Chong, Mr. Lan Sin, Mr. Wong Pou Sen, Mr. Chan Pan Chi, Mr. Chan Si Fan, Mr. Chan Chui, Mr. Toa Chian Tan, Mr. Chui, Pcc, Mr. Chian Tan, Mr. Cesar Won, Mr. Jose Diaz, Mr. You Chun Won, Mr. Wong Chun Leon, and Miss Liu Feng.
Tai Sze Ma, Chinese str., 432 tons, Capt. Chao Foo, from Wuchow, with a general cargo, lying at Tai Hing Yeung—Ting Hong Co.	Ginsen Maru, for Singapore.	
Times Maru, Japanese str., 1,304 tons, Capt. T. Nagamura, from Keelung, which port she left on April 2nd, with a cargo of coal, lying at buoy No. C33—M.B.K.	Haidi, for Swatow.	
Wingoo, Chinese str., 503 tons, Capt. I. A. de Lemos, from Fort Bayard, with a general cargo, lying at Saikong Wharf—Yew Kee Co.	Euscho, for Wuchow.	
Fathling, British str., 1,434 tons, Capt. A. Sinclair, from Canton, lying at buoy No. B32—Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Tai Sze Ma, for Wuchow.	
April 5th.	Tak Hing, for Macao.	
Hokuyo Maru, Japanese str., 5,619 tons, Capt. C. Goto, from Valparaiso, with 1,908 tons of general cargo, lying at Kowloon Wharf—N.Y.K.	Times Maru, for Whampoa.	
Cart Legien, German str., 3,433 tons, Capt. W. Biegenmeyer, from Hamburg, which port she left on February 4th, with a general cargo, lying at Kowloon Wharf—Jensen & Co.	Tonker, for Haiphong.	
Huichow, British str., 1,220 tons, Capt. J. Beck, from Canton, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. C34—B. & S.	Toyo Maru No. 4, for Tsingtau.	
Jawa Maru, Japanese str., 2,885 tons, Capt. Sakai, from Sakito, which port she left on April 29th, with a cargo of coal, lying at buoy No. B31—Y.K.K.	Wingoo, for Kwong Chow Wan.	
Kueiching, British str., 1,350 tons, Capt. Gillic, from Kotsichang, which port she left on March 29th, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. B13—B. & S.		
Lushan Maru, Japanese str., 1,508 tons, Capt. T. Yasukawa, from Shanghai and Swatow, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. C38—N.Y.K.		
Shunka Maru, Japanese str., 5,027 tons, Capt. T. Tasako, from Yokohama and Moji. The latter port she left on March 31st, with 1,197 tons of general cargo, lying at Kowloon Wharf—O.S.K.		
Tonkin, French str., 907 tons, Capt. F. L. Morvan, from Haiphong, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. C45—M.M.		
Lingchow, British str., 1,290 tons, from Shanghai, which port she left on April 2nd, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. C40—B. & S.		

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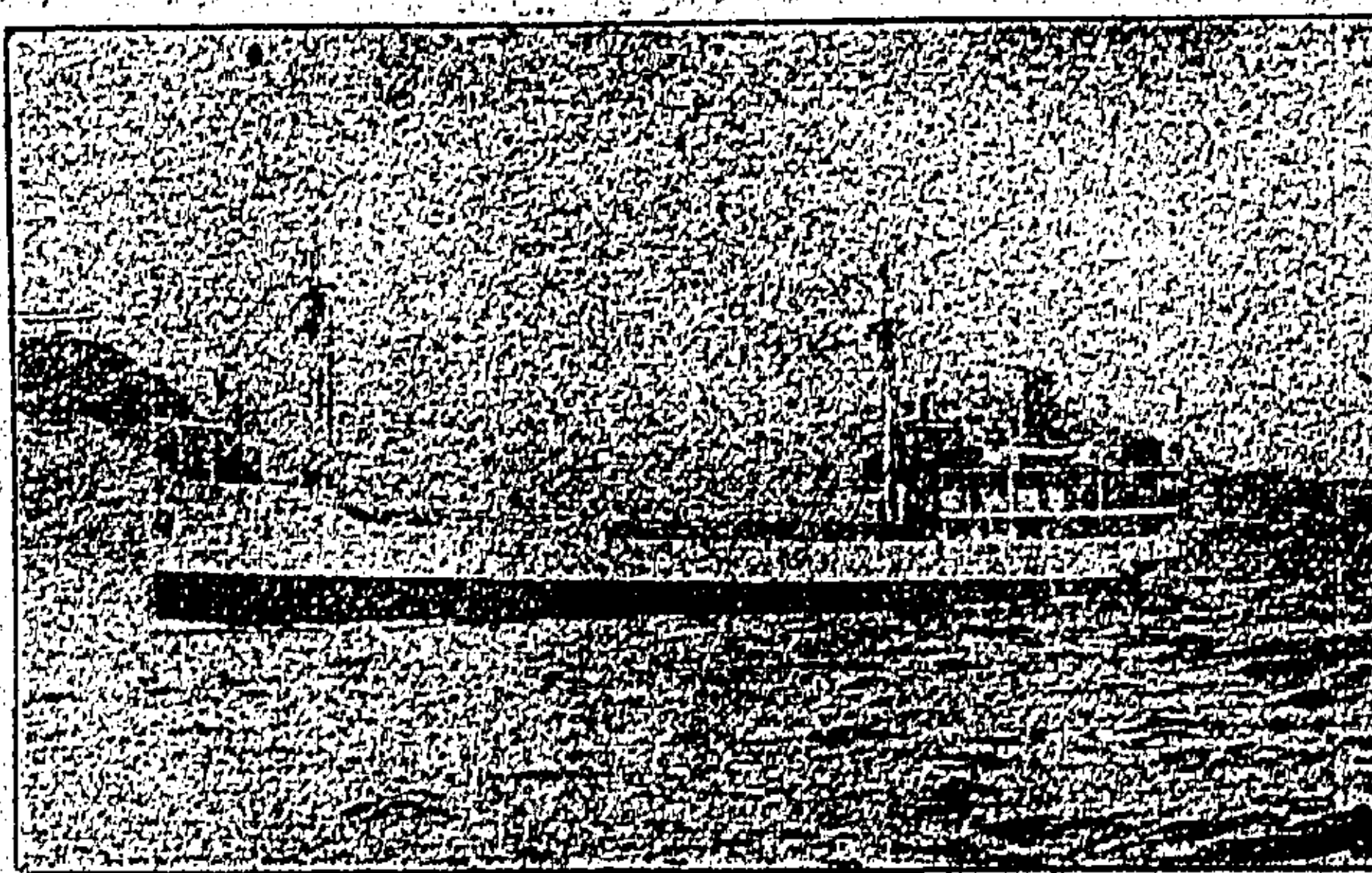
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	Sunrise.	Sunset.
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Sunday	6.10 "	6.41 "
Monday	6.00 "	6.41 "

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OSAKA via AMOI, SHAL MOU & KOBE	"SUISANG"	Fri., 13th Apr., at 7 a.m.
CANTON	"CHAKSANG"	Sun., 6th Apr., at 8 p.m.
STRAITS & CALCUTTA	"KUTSANG"	Mon., 9th Apr., at Noon
SANDAKAN	"MAUSANG"	Sun., 8th Apr., at 10 a.m.
TIENTSIN	"YATSHING"	Fri., 6th Apr., at 5 p.m.

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Steamship "GLENARVONSHIRE" ...	(via Oran)	18th June

[To SHANGHAI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA & VLADIVOSTOK.]

Motor Vessel "GLENMARA" ...	...	8th April
Motor Vessel "GLENSHIRE" ...	...	15th April
Steamship "GLENARVONSHIRE" ...	...	28th April
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EMPEROR OF CANADA...	June 13	June 15	June 15	June 21	June 30
EMPEROR OF RUSSIA...	July 4	July 7	July 7	July 13	July 21
EMPEROR OF ASIA...	July 18	July 21	July 21	July 26	Aug. 4
EMPEROR OF CANADA...	Aug. 8	Aug. 11	Aug. 11	Aug. 16	Aug. 25
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AKI MARU Wednesday, 25th April

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AWA MARU Wednesday, 11th April

SOUTH AMERICA (West Coast) via Japan, Honolulu,

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SOUTH AMERICA (East Coast) via Singapore, Cape

Town & Ports.

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Shipping News

Daily Statement, Waterfront
News, etc.YESTERDAY'S FREIGHT
RETURNS.EXCEPTIONALLY LOW
CARGOES.ONLY TWO VESSELS CARRY
THROUGH FREIGHT.

With eleven arrivals and seven-
teen departures during the 24 hours
ended at 9 a.m. yesterday the cargo
returns for this port were very low.
There were only two vessels carry-
ing through freights for ports be-
yond the Colony. The local imports
amounted to 8,079 tons, and three
British vessels contributed 3,304
tons. The s.s. *Haleard* (British)
was the best carrier with 3,434 tons
of coal from Port Kaituma, and the
s.s. *Bokuyo Maru* from Valparaiso
and Moji had 1,900 tons of general
cargo.

A British and a German vessel
were the only two ships with cargo
for ports beyond the Colony.
These were the s.s. *Carl Legien* with
3,407 tons from Hamburg and
Manila, and the s.s. *Hutchew*
(British) with 400 tons from
Canton.

The arrivals and departures dur-
ing the period under review were as
follows:

	Arr.	Dep.
British	4	6
Japanese	3	3
Chinese	3	6
Dutch	0	2
French	0	1
German	1	1
Total	11	17

VESSELS EXPECTED.

American Mail Line.
President Madison, April 9th.

Australian-Oriental Line.
Change, to-day.

Bank Line.
Taiping, May 11th.

City of Bombay, April 10th.

City of Eastbourne, April 11th.

City of Cardiff, April 14th.

City of Hamburg, April 14th.

City of London, May 12th.

City of New Castle, May 21th.

City of Chester, June 8th.

City of Cardiff, June 22nd.

City of London, July 7th.

City of Bedford, June 22nd.

British-India and Apsar Line.

Talamba, to-morrow.

Santhia, Sunday.

Hatipara, April 19th.

Takada, April 22nd.

Takada, May 1st.

Takada, May 8th.

Takada, June 3rd.

Canadian Pacific Line.

Empress of Canada, April 10th.

Dodwell & Co.

Calulu, to-morrow.

Toledo, April 12th.

Remo, April 28th.

Kendal Castle, May 7th.

Dollar Steamship Line.

President Garfield, to-morrow.

President Pierce, April 10th.

East Asiatic Co., Copenhagen.

Malaya, April 27th.

Siam, June 15th.

Danmark, July 18th.

Blue Funnel Line.

Patroclus, to-day.

Polypheus, April 9th.

Proterius, April 10th.

Pheonius, April 11th.

Agapenor, April 12th.

Leomedon, April 17th.

Night Companion, April 22nd.

Orontes, April 22nd.

Dionaea, April 22nd.

Talkybird, May 1st.

Macchian, May 2nd.

Antenor, May 3rd.

Mcricone, May 8th.

Adrastus, May 16th.

Illeus, May 22nd.

Perceus, May 25th.

Pyrrhus, May 30th.

Rector, May 31st.

Rhesus, June 8th.

Menor, June 10th.

Pyndarus, June 10th.

Dardanus, June 12th.

Aniochus, June 25th.

Arcus, July 2nd.

Phaeus, July 2nd.

Sarpedon, July 2nd.

Easton, August 2nd.

Eastern and Australian Lines.

Tanda, May 7th.

Glen Line.

Glenara, April 9th.

Glenloch, April 15th.

Carnarvonshire, April 23rd.

Glenbeg, May 11th.

Pembrokehire, May 28th.

Hamburg-America Line and

Hugo Stinnes Line.

Adolf Von Baeyer, April 9th.

Preussen, April 18th.

Ermland, May 2nd.

Vogland, May 18th.

Albert Voelke, June 2nd.

Rhein, June 13th.

Java-China-Japan Line.

Tjileboet, April 9th.

Tjimanoeet, April 9th.

Tjikarang, April 12th.

Tjipanas, April 15th.

Tjiparoca, April 16th.

Tjikini, April 23rd.

Tjikarocem, April 23rd.

Messageries Maritimes.

Chenonceau, April 10th.

Capt. Faure, April 24th.

Athos II, April 24th.

D'Aragnan, May 8th.

General Mettinger, May 22nd.

Nippon Yusen Kaisha.

Hakone Maru, to-day.

Nagano Maru, Sunday.

Kanagawa Maru, April 9th.

Awa Maru, April 10th.

Korea Maru, April 10th.

Lima Maru, April 13th.

Hakusan Maru, April 15th.

Hakodate Maru, April 18th.

Malacca Maru, April 18th.

Mishima Maru, April 19th.

Suwa Maru, April 20th.

Seiyo Maru, April 22nd.

Ati Maru, April 24th.

Shinryo Maru, April 25th.

Lisbon Maru, April 28th.

Fushimi Maru, May 4th.

Siberia Maru, May 8th.

Hakata Maru, May 9th.

Totori Maru, May 9th.

Toyouka Maru, May 13th.

Tsuyama Maru, May 13th.

Hakozaki Maru, May 18th.

Hakusan Maru, June 1st.

Dakara Maru, June 6th.

Tango Maru, June 19th.

Norddeutscher Lloyd, Bremen.

Fulda, to-day.

Trier, April 10th.

Alster, April 25th.

Trave, May 12th.

Swedish East Asiatic Co., Ltd.

Formosa, April 30th.

DAILY WATERFRONT
NEWS.

FELL OVERBOARD.

[LONGBOROUGHMAN.]

The master of the s.s. *Bokuyo Maru* arriving here from Valparaiso
and Moji reports to the Harbour
Office that during the voyage from
Callar to Bahia, a Chinese steerage
passenger fell overboard. It is
thought that the man was insane.

Asiatic Dock Passengers.

Only two vessels arriving during
the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yester-
day carried Asiatic dock passengers.
The number arrived was only 413
from the two vessels.

WARSHIPS IN PORT.

The following warships and
auxiliaries were in port yesterday:
North Wall Basin, *Verity*, *Withard*,
Drace, *Mooren*, South Wall
Basin, *Cornflower*, *Somme*, East
Wall Basin, *Moth*, *Seamew*, L27,
North Arm, *Serapis*, *Sirdar*,
Titanic, West Wall Dock, *Haw-
king*, In Dock, *Post Chaucer*,
Delgo, No. 8 Buoy, *Cumberland*,
No. 6 Buoy, *Hermes*, No. 9 Buoy,
Wesfield, No. 10 Buoy, *Herald*,
No. 11 Buoy, *Seraph*, No. 12 Buoy,
Iroquois, No. 13 Buoy, *Ruthenia*,
No. 20 Buoy, *Francis*, No. 22 Buoy,
Magnolia, No. 23 Buoy, *Khark*,
No. 26 Buoy, *Gannet*, Foreign
Men-of-War—U.S.S. *Sacramento*,
French, *Argus*, Portuguese, *Patria*,
Peru *De Alencuer*.

MERCHANT SHIPS IN PORT.

The following vessels were in port
yesterday:—

British: *New Matilde*, *Hydra-
gon*, *Tinhaw*, *Kiang Su*, *Nam Sang*,
Haidia, *Mau Sang*, *Taming*,
Pneumphen, *Luchow*, *Borneo*, *Che-
nan*, *Gorgan*, *Gorgistan*, *Sumatra*,
Taiako, *Chap Shing*, *Hailong*,
Haidara, *Huichow*, *Cheng Shing*,
Norwegian: *Norviken*, *Hirundo*,
Danish: *Solsten*, *Saltat*, *Oria*,
German: *Dorset*, *Carl Legien*,
French: *Caravelle*,
Portuguese: *Kong On*, *King On*,
Japanese: *Deli Maru*, *Togo*,
Maru No. 1, *Somedano*, *Maru*,
Ginen Maru, *Hozon Maru*, *Times*,
Maru, *Bokuyo Maru*,
Chinese: *Shun Lee*, *Confucius*,
Devawongse, *Tai Shan*, *Tai Fook*,
Shing, *Tejo*, *Chi Tung*, *Hoi Cheong*,
Haimin, *Ban Fook*, *Soon*, *Lee*,
Cheong, *Gru*, *H. Kwoz*, *Man Sun*,
Taietam,
Dutch: *Jani*, *Otto*, *Hong Kong*,
Hankow,
Danish: *Michael Jensen*, *Clara*,
Jebben.

Peninsular and Oriental.

Kalyan, to-day.
Kashgar, April 12th.
Jeypore, April 16th.
Kidderpore, April 21st.
Malwa, April 26th.
Alipore, May 2nd.
Novara, May 7th.
Delta, May 10th.
Rangpur, May 24th.
Nankin, June 4th.
Kyber, June 7th.
Kashmir, June 21st.
Kashmir, July 2nd.
Rajputana, July 19th.
Kalyan, August 2nd.

